

U. S. Department of Justice

(MATERIAL MUST NOT BE REMOVED FROM OR ADDED TO THIS

FEDERAL BUREAU

*of*

INVESTIGATION

Declassified Authority: 44804  
By: NS Date: 10-12-2016

Screened By: NS Date:  
10-12-2016 DOCID: 32672942

100-10-339626-1M

SERIALS 1-

100-HQ-339626

SECTION 1

USE CARE IN HANDLING THIS FILE  
PICKETT STREET

Transfer-Call 421

GEA:LVO

SAC - New York City

February 16, 1945

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

ELLA LOGAN

FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

INTERNAL SECURITY - R

RECORDED/100-337626-1  
EX-56 Reference is made to your letter dated [redacted] captioned  
[redacted] setting forth information obtained  
from Confidential Informant [redacted]

Informant stated that Miss Ella Logan, a well known musical comedy star,

[redacted]  
[redacted] She stated that she had been residing  
in Suite 38F at the Waldorf Towers, and had just returned from Italy [redacted]  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] She further indicated that she  
was a friend of Paul Robeson, She stated that she had just returned from Italy  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

[redacted]  
[redacted] It would appear that there was some possibility  
Miss Logan was acting as a courier to transmit some message [redacted]  
[redacted]

A review of the Bureau files discloses that Ella Logan was a member of  
the Council of Hollywood Guilds and Unions, allegedly subject to Communist  
domination and influence. Her permanent address is 140 West 55th Street, New  
York City. However, she has resided in Los Angeles on several occasions in  
connection with work in the movie industry. The Bureau files further disclose  
that Ella Logan was a sponsor for the Fight For Freedom, Inc., program put on  
by the National Stage, Screen, Radio and Arts Division.

Newspaper clippings disclose that Ella Logan was recently in Washington,  
D. C. to attend the President's Birthday Ball, and during that period of time she  
met and visited with Eleanor Roosevelt, the wife of the President.

The Bureau desires that the Los Angeles Field Division review their  
files for all information relative to Ella Logan and furnish a summary thereof  
to the New York Field Division.

Communications Section

Mailed 5 P.M.

Feb. 19, 1945

ORIGINAL FILED IN 100-337626-365

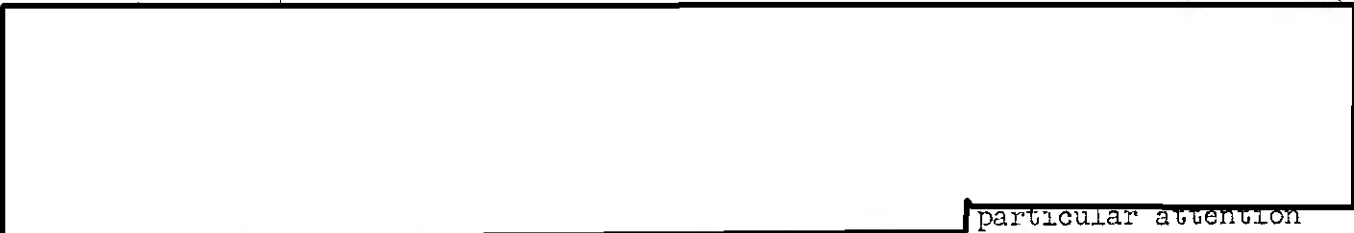
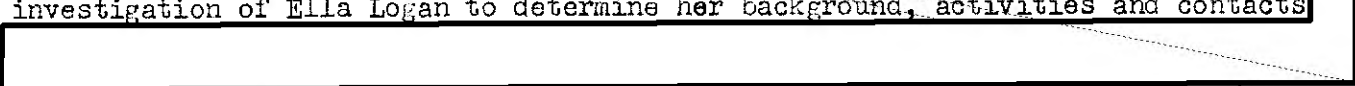
16

SAC - New York City

FOIA(b)(7) - (E)

FOIA(b)(3) - 50 USC 3024(i)(1) - Intelligence Sources and Methods

The New York Field Division should immediately conduct a discreet investigation of Ella Logan to determine her background, activities and contacts



particular attention should be given to an analysis of her bank accounts and financial condition

cc - Los Angeles

FOIA(b)(7) - (E)

FOIA(b)(3) - 50 USC 3024(i)(1) - Intelligence Sources and Methods

New York 7, New York

TGK:JRB  
100-24

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director, FBI

NEW YORK CITY  
INTERNAL SECURITY -R.

Dear Sir:

Miss Logan stated she was residing in  
Suite 38F at the Waldorf Towers and that she had just returned  
from Italy

RECOVERED

INDEXED

186  
EX-58

3-100-

339626-1

FEB 26 1945

INITIALS ON ORIGINAL

ORIGINAL FILED IN 100-829-365

TGK:JRB  
100-24

-2-

Confidential Letter to Bureau

[REDACTED]

The above is being furnished for the information  
of the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY  
Special Agent in Charge

FOIA(b)(7) - (E)

FOIA(b)(3) - 50 USC 3024(i)(1) - Intelligence Sources and Methods

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

GEA:LVO

TO : MR. D. M. LADD

FROM : MR. J. C. STRICKLAND

SUBJECT: ELLA LOGAN  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: 2-16-45

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Mumford \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Jones \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_

Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Beahm \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

I thought you would be interested in the following information relative to Ella Logan, the well known musical comedy star who was one of the individuals who entertained at the President's Birthday Ball January 30, 1945.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ stated she had just returned from Italy

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ she was a friend of Paul Robeson, the well known Negro singer who is a key figure in Communist activities on both the East and West Coasts of the United States.

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Miss Logan was one of the individuals who attended the President's Birthday Ball and received considerable publicity in the Washington newspapers. A review of the files of the Bureau discloses that Miss Logan was associated with the Fight for Freedom, Inc., and the Council of Hollywood Guilds and Unions.

COPY DESTROYED

JAN 21 1960

RECORDED  
&  
INDEXED

EX - 68

MAR 8 1941

Mr. D. M. Ladd

ACTION:

The New York Field Division has been requested to conduct a thorough investigation of Ella Logan's background, activities and contacts

FOIA(b)(7) - (E)

FOIA(b)(3) - 50 USC 3024(i)(1) - Intelligence Sources and Methods

**Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice**

Los Angeles 13, California  
April 3, 1945

FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

Director

~~PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL~~

RE: ELLA LOGAN  
INTERNAL SECURITY (R)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Dear Sir:

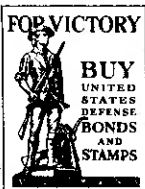
Reference is made to Bureau letter dated February 16, 1945 in the above captioned matter, in which it was requested that the Los Angeles Field Division review their files for all information relative to ELLA LOGAN and to furnish a summary thereof to the New York Field Division.

The files of this office contain a report made by [redacted] who attended a meeting June 29, 1944 of the Council of Hollywood Guilds and Unions, which is an organization formed in the motion picture industry to repudiate the attacks made by the Motion Picture Alliance for the Preservation of American Ideals, the latter organization having been formed for the purpose of combatting Communism in the motion picture industry.

Informant advised that there were approximately 1,000 persons in attendance at this meeting and most of the persons there were recognized by informant as being active in all Communist front meetings. The meeting was opened by the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" led by Miss ELLA LOGAN, and later in the program Miss LOGAN sang a parody of a popular song known as "Red Herring". According to this source Miss LOGAN stated that this song had been written by "YIP" HARBURG who is a known intimate of LOUISE BRANSTEN and MAX YERGAN, prominent Communists.

Informant stated that this song sung by Miss LOGAN was another argument for the Communists and told the story by comparisons of Fascism versus minorities and Communism; HITLER versus Jews and Communism; Republicans versus Democrats and Communism; Motion Picture Alliance versus labor and Communism, etc; Americanism versus Anti-British and Anti-Russian, making Communism the champion and saviour of minorities, Jews, democracy, labor and the common man.

The only further information concerning the subject



~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
JAN 21 1960

RECORDED

100-339626-3

1581

INDEXED

Classified by 882513/1980

APR 9 1945

Declassify on: OADR

EX-25

APR 11 1945



Director

April 3, 1945

RE: ELLA LOGAN  
INTERNAL SECURITY (R)

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

which appears in the Los Angeles files is a notation to the effect that ELLA LOGAN, the singer, resides at 617 North Alta Drive, Beverly Hills, and that her telephone number is CRestview 6-9162.

This case is being considered referred upon completion to the office of origin.

Very truly yours,

*R. B. Hood*

R. B. HOOD  
SAC

WJM:GIF  
100-23081  
cc: New York City

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

BDC:PAW

~~REB:PAW~~

May 26, 1945

PERSONAL AND ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

In connection with the Bureau's investigation of the Comintern apparatus, which includes espionage agents, it has been determined that Ella Logan, who presently resides at 12812 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, is being utilized as a courier agent for the Comintern apparatus. She expects to do some travelling in the United States and is expected to leave for Europe in the near future.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Ella Logan at the above address and wherever she may reside in the United States prior to leaving for Europe for the purpose of determining the extent of her activities on behalf of the Comintern apparatus and for the purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover  
Director

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

SENT FROM D.O.  
TIME 7:30 PM  
DATE 5-26-45  
BY [Signature]

held on without in DO

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

CC-150

PIC:del

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: MAY 26, 1945

SAC, LOS ANGELES

URGENT  
CODE IN FULL

ELLA LOGAN, IS-R. APPROVAL GRANTED TO INSTALL TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE ON  
SUBJECT, ONE TWO EIGHT ONE TWO SUNSET BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES, PROVIDED  
FULL SECURITY ASSURED.

HOOVER

*Enc 27C 0100-0115*

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mumford \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Jones \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

001

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS  
MAY 26 8 26 PM '45

RECORDED

RADIO COMMUNICATIONS

MAY 26 8 02 PM '45

RECEIVED  
MAY 26 5 06 PM '45  
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

100-339630

SENT VIA

43

9:35 PM

Per

5K

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK, N. Y.

NY

FILE NO.

100-74558-SFS

REPORT MADE AT

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

DATE WHEN MADE

6/1/45

PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE

5/26, 28/45

REPORT MADE BY

DWIGHT M. SMITH

TITLE

ELLA LOGAN

CHARACTER OF CASE

INTERNAL SECURITY

Mr. Carson

Mr. Egan

Mr. Hendon

Mr. Pennington

Mr. Quinn Tamm

Mr. Nease

Miss Gandy

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Confidential Informant advises that ELLA LOGAN, musical comedy star

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED  
HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED  
EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN  
OTHERWISE

Subject has been member of COUNCIL OF HOLLYWOOD GUILDS AND UNIONS, and her permanent address is reported as 140 West 55th Street, New York City, but she has resided in Los Angeles in connection with work in the movie industry.

- P -

## REFERENCES:

Bureau letter dated February 16, 1945.  
Los Angeles letter to the Bureau dated April 3, 1945.  
Teletypes from Los Angeles dated May 25, 1945.

## DETAILS:

APPROVED AND FORWARDED

E. F. Conway

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

220011A DIA

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

COPY DESTROYED

JAN 21 1960

COPIES OF THIS REPORT

5 - Bureau

2 - Los Angeles

3 - New York

Classified by

Declassify on

6-19-89

293943-80

JUN 5 1945

RECORDED &amp; INDEXED

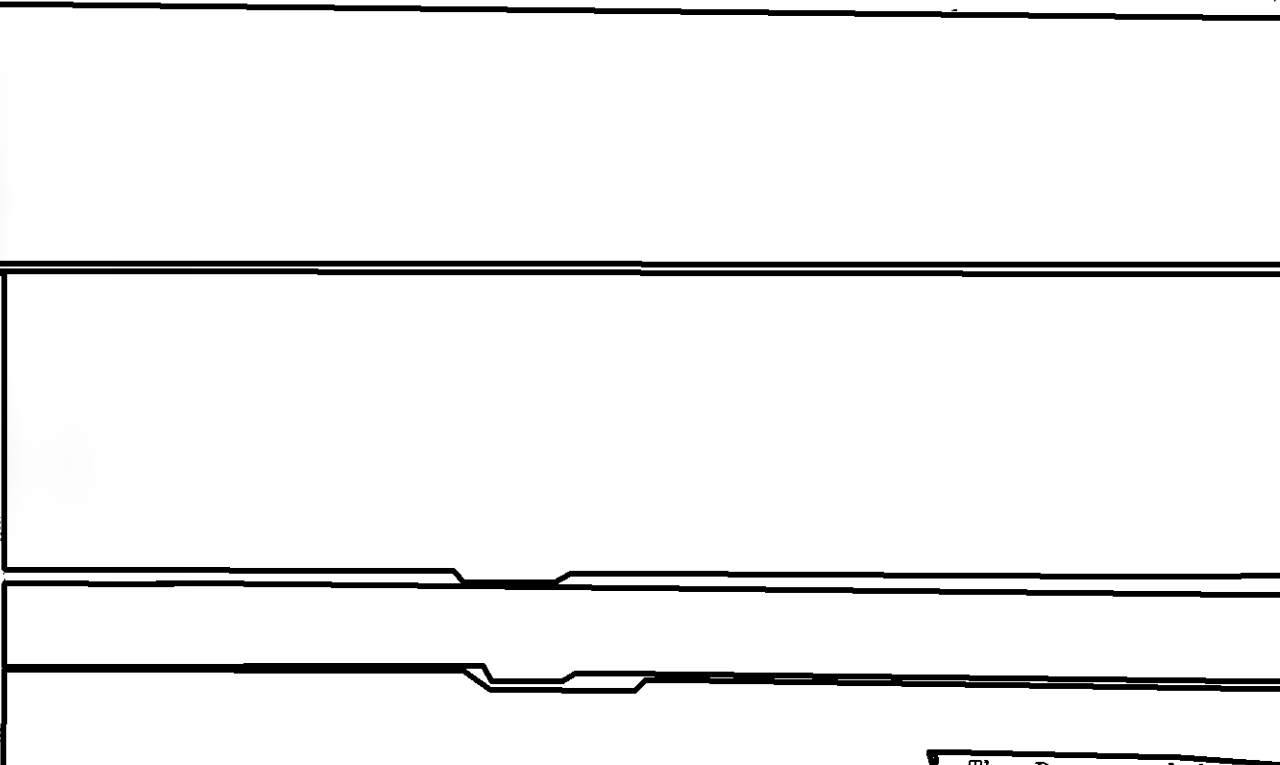
EX-37

55 ~~SECRET~~

201

COPY IN

NY 100-74558

~~SECRET~~

The Bureau advised that subject was a member of the COUNCIL OF HOLLYWOOD GUILDS AND UNIONS allegedly subject to Communist domination and influence. Her permanent address was listed as 140 West 55th Street, New York City. She has resided in Los Angeles on several occasions in connection with work in the movie industry. The Bureau further disclosed that ELLA LOGAN was a sponsor for the "Fight For Freedom" program, a program put on by the NATIONAL STAGE, SCREEN, RADIO AND ARTS DIVISION.

Newspaper clippings disclose that ELLA LOGAN was recently in Washington to attend the President's Birthday Ball, and during that time she met and visited with ELEANOR ROOSEVELT, the wife of the President.



By letter dated April 3, 1945, the Los Angeles Field Division advised that the subject opened a meeting on June 29, 1944 of the COUNCIL OF HOLLYWOOD GUILDS AND UNIONS, an organization formed in the motion picture industry.

- 2 -

~~SECRET~~

NY 100-74558

~~SECRET~~

to repudiate the attacks made by the MOTION PICTURE ALLIANCE FOR THE PRESERVATION OF AMERICAN IDEALS, by singing the "Star Spangled Banner"; and later in the program she sang a parody of a popular song known as "Red Herring." This song was reportedly written by YIP HARBURG, a known intimate of LOUISE BRANSTEN and MAX YERGAN.

The Los Angeles Field Division further advises that subject resided at 617 North Alta Drive, Beverly Hills, California, and that her telephone number was CRestview 6-9162.

A review of the New York files reveals the additional information to the effect that the subject called Mr. PATTERSON of the New York "DAILY NEWS", a Fascist, and further, that she, on January 15, 1942, while residing at 145 West 58th Street, New York City, had reported to the New York Office that an individual named MYERS spoke in favor of LINDBERGH.

By teletype dated May 25, 1945, the Los Angeles Field Division advised that subject was in Los Angeles

- P E N D I N G -

FOIA b 7 - E

FOIA b 3 - 50 USC 3024 i 1 - Intelligence Sources and Methods

- 3 -

~~SECRET~~

NY 100-74558

UNDEVELOPED LEADS

~~SECRET~~

LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION:

At Los Angeles, Cal.

Will at Los Angeles conduct an investigation into the activities of this subject while in that city [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] will immediately notify the New York Field Division upon subject's departure for New York, and her destination in New York, if known. (S)

NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION:

~~SECRET~~ At New York, N. Y.

Will, at New York, conduct an investigation into the background and present activities of this subject, paying particular attention to securing an analysis of her bank accounts and financial condition, [REDACTED]

~~SECRET~~

- 4 -

~~SECRET~~

*get*  
**F.B.I. TELETYPE****DECODED COPY**

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Mumford \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Jones \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

WASH FROM LOSA 1 25 1013P  
 DIRECTOR URGENT HUM

ELLA LOGAN, IS R. IMMEDIATE AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO INSTALL  
 TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE ON SUBJECT AT 12812 SUNSET BOULEVARD LOS  
 ANGELES. TELEPHONE SANTAMONICA 43091 [REDACTED]  
 [REDACTED] SUBJECT USO ENTERTAINER SCHEDULED TO LEAVE  
 LOS ANGELES JUNE 4 NEXT FOR OVERSEAS VIA NEW YORK. [REDACTED]

RECEIVED 5-26-45 3:10 AM EWT MLL

*memo to AS.*  
*BL*

RECORDED  
 INDEXED

100-338626-7

JUN 2 1945

cc Mr. Cleveland

EX-16

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated  
 outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in  
 order to protect the Bureau's coding systems.

50 JUL 10 1945 240



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

RECORDED

TELECOMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

JUNE 12, 1945

URGENT

Transmit the following message to:

SAC, LOS ANGELES

EX-16

ELLA LOGAN, IS-R.

HOOVER

FOIA(b)(7) - (D)

c c. Lee - (sent direct)

*Law*

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Gurnea \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mumford \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U S DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUN 6 1945

TELEMETER

50 JUL 10 1945  
230

SENT VIA

140 P M

Per

*EC*

RECORDED COPY FILED IN

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Ladd 244 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

# F.B.I. TELETYPE

FOIA b 7 - (E)

FOIA b 7 - (D)

FOIA b 3 - 50 USC 3024(i)(1) - Intelligence Sources and Methods

DECODED COPY

WASH FROM LOSA 5 30 1-35 PM  
 DIRECTOR URGENT  
 YARN

ELLA LOGAN, ISR.

HOOD

RECEIVED MAY 30, 5-16 PM

MOC

FOIA b 7 - (D)

RECORDED  
&  
INDEXED

100-339636-8

32 JUN 6 1945

EX-116

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's coding systems.

# F.B.I. TELETYPE

DECODED COPY

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

CONF 2 STATIONS  
WASH 1 AND NYC 1 FROM LOS ANGELES 2 9-32  
DIRECTOR AND SAC NYC ROUTINE YARN

ELMA LOGAN, IS R.

LOGAN

LEAVES LOS ANGELES BY PLANE JUNE FIVE OR SIX NEXT FOR NYC WHERE SHE  
WILL REMAIN FIVE DAYS PROBABLY STAYING GOTHAM HOTEL. NY WILL BE  
ADVISED ROUTE AND TIME OF DEPARTURE FOR NY. HOOD

TRANSMITTED TO NYC-GB

RECEIVED: 6-3-45 1-47 AM EWT AB

RECORDED

1100-337626-9  
F B I  
32 JUN 5 1945

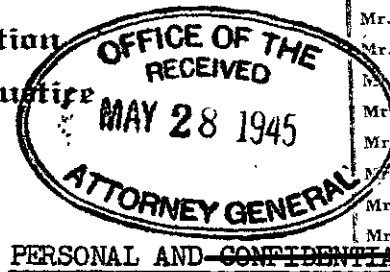
EX - 39

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated  
outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in  
order to protect the Bureau's coding systems.

4 JUN 11 1945



Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Washington, D. C.  
May 26, 1945



PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	<i>EAT</i>
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	<i>LL</i>
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

In connection with the Bureau's investigation of the Comintern apparatus, which includes espionage agents, it has been determined that Ella Logan, who presently resides at 12812 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, California, is being utilized as a courier agent for the Comintern apparatus. She expects to do some travelling in the United States and is expected to leave for Europe in the near future.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Ella Logan at the above address and wherever she may reside in the United States prior to leaving for Europe for the purpose of determining the extent of her activities on behalf of the Comintern apparatus and for the purpose of identifying espionage agents.

RECORDED

Respectfully,  
INDEXED

100-339626-10  
FBI

JUN 1 1945

EX-10  
John Edgar Hoover  
Director



*no further action needed at this time L.A. advised. PLC*

KEEP IN F. B. I. FILES

60 JUN 16 1945

6/1/45 16.75

Rec'd 1:10 PM 6/6  
 No action  
 cmm

## F.B.I. TELETYPE

FOIA b(7) - E

DECODED COPY

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

WASHINGTON FROM LOS ANGELES 01 5 705 P  
 DIRECTOR ROUTINE

URN.

ELLA LOGAN - INTERNAL SECURITY - R. TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE OF SUB-  
 JECT AT 12812 SUNSET BOULEVARD, LOS ANGELES. PHONE SANTA MONICA  
 43091 INSTALLED MAY 31 LAST

HOOD

RECEIVED 6-5-45

11:17 PM EWT

MOC

EX-23

628 If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated  
 outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in  
 order to protect the Bureau's coding systems.

55

Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Los Angeles 13, California  
June 13, 1945

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. 100-23081

77301

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Director, FBI

Re: ELLA LOGAN, aka  
Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Dear Sir:

D-38793

Reference is made to my conference teletypes of June 12 and 13, 1945 to the Director and SAC, New York City.

ELLA LOGAN departed from Los Angeles for New York City at 6:45 P.M. on June 12, 1945 aboard TWA plane, Flight 38. This flight was scheduled to arrive in New York City at 3 P.M. Eastern War Time, June 13, 1945.

At the time of her departure a confidential informant advised Special Agents of this office that she carried with her a letter in the German language on the stationery of OTTO E. SCHRATTER, dated June 3, 1945. This letter bore the signature "Your Otto" and the return address of 13229 Chandler Boulevard, Van Nuys, California. The letter was personal in nature and was in an unsealed, unstamped envelope addressed to Mrs. MARIA SCHRATTER, Austinstrasse 103, St. Poelten-Viehofen, Austria. It is possible that the subject was carrying this letter as an accommodation to OTTO SCHRATTER and was to be mailed or delivered if the subject visits Austria on her present U.S.O. tour. A translation of the letter is as follows:

"3. June 1945

Dear Mama, it has already been two years since we have heard anything from you, we sent two letters through the American Red Cross but have received no answer, we hope that you are well and that your health is good and that we will soon hear from you. Please let us have news of you and tell us how you are. We want to hear from you as soon as possible. It is seven years since we last saw you and so much has happened since. We also hope to know what has happened to father.

We are very happy here and are only sorry that we did not come over sooner. PETER is a big strong boy, absolutely American in his thinking, for instance (he has even forgotten his mother language) and is very proud to be an American citizen, which he became a year ago together with us.

COPY AND SPECIMENS RETAINED IN LAB. INDEXED FOR FILES  
FOR LAB. ACTION AND REPORT

58 JUL 3 1945

Mr. Tolson	FOR VICTORY
Mr. E. A. Tamm	BUY
Mr. Clegg	UNITED STATES
Mr. Glavin	WAR
Mr. Ladd	BONDS
Mr. Nichols	AND
Mr. Rosen	STAMPS
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

CC

Director, FBI

June 13, 1945

77302

Re: ELLA LOGAN, aka.  
Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

A few months ago I bought a little business in Beverly Hills (a chemical cleaning business) and am trying to make something out of it. It is better to be one's own boss. Everyone is diligent and industrious over here and everything goes well.

With KAY and HEINI things are going well, they have three children, 4 years, 2 years and 2 months old. ELSE is doing all right also. As soon as postal arrangements are better we will write you more details.

HILDE has become quite healthy here. Since a few months ago she has been working here as a ceramic painter together with a great number of famous artists.

We are living in a very beautiful home in one of the suburbs outside Los Angeles, you know how much we like to be out in the country.

I so hope that this letter will reach you and that we soon will be able to have a real correspondence from both sides. Please do from your side all that you can to get in touch with us.

Warmest greetings and kisses from all of us.

/s/ Your Otto

13229 Chandler Blvd.  
Van Nuys, California "

OTTO E. SCHRATTER, believed to be identical with the writer of the above letter, is mentioned in the case entitled Mrs. HENDRIK ARMENDORF WESTEN, Et Al, Espionage - G, of which New York was origin. Particular reference is made to the report in that case of Special Agent GILMER G. ROBINSON, dated February 23, 1943 at Los Angeles. The files of the Los Angeles Field Division contain no derogatory information regarding SCHRATTER.

A photograph of the above letter in the German language, and a photograph of the envelope in which it was contained is being enclosed herewith to the Bureau, and it is requested that the letter be examined to determine if the letter contains any message in code, and that thereafter the FBI Laboratory compare the typewriting in the letter with known and unknown espionage writings. The results of these examinations should be reported to the New York Field Division which is the office of origin in this case.

Director, FBI

June 13, 1945

Re: ELLA LOGAN, aka  
Mrs. Fred Finklehoffe  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Following LOGAN'S departure from Los Angeles on June 12, 1945, a confidential source advised Special Agents MALCOLM M. RINK and THOMAS E. BRYANT that LOGAN carried with her, an unmailed letter on V-Mail paper which apparently had never been photographed and which carried two uncanceled U.S. three cent stamps. This letter was addressed to ELLA LOGAN at her Sunset Boulevard address in Los Angeles and bore the return address of Major NICOLI G. LEONIDOV, Allied Commission Headquarters, APO 394, c/o Representative U.S.S.R., P.M., New York City. This letter was in very poor English and was apparently a love letter. It is possible that this letter was delivered by courier from Italy.

The informant also advised that LOGAN carried a letter on V-Mail paper, having on the outside the address Major NICOLI G. LEONIDOV and ~~MASHIA~~ (a woman's name in Russian), c/o Russian Embassy, Italy. On the space provided for the address on the inside of the letter there is an address written in Russian and also in English as follows: U.S.S.R. Embassy, Via Gaeta 5, Rome, Italy. There are numerous pencil notations on this letter and the letter is not finished and is apparently personal in nature. Where the stamp should have been on this letter appears the notation NATASHA TAKCE, c/o of "Soviet Russia Today", 114 East 30th, New York City. It is to be noted that in the March, 1945 issue of the publication "Soviet Russia Today", on page 26, there is an article entitled "ELLA LOGAN Meets the Red Army", as told to NATASHA TAKCE. In this article ELLA LOGAN states that while in Italy she was invited to meet the Soviet General and his staff, and the article goes on to mention a Major LEONIDOV.

In view of the above it is possible that the subject while in New York City may contact NATASHA TAKCE. Further information regarding the above material will be furnished in the immediate future.

[redacted] it is believed probable that LOGAN in some manner obtained the first letter from Major LEONIDOV, above mentioned, whom she had met in Rome, Italy, and that she visited the Vice Consulate in Los Angeles and possibly inquired of them how to write a letter to LEONIDOV without having it go through an APO, and thus be censored. It is possible that she intends to write a letter to LEONIDOV while overseas.

For the additional information of the Bureau, Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that ELLA LOGAN talked with E. Y.



Director, FBI

June 13, 1945

Re: ELIA LOGAN, aka  
Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

HARBURG, song writer and friend of LOUISE BRANSTEN and MAX YERGAN, prominent Communists, and told HARBURG of her visit to the Russian Vice Consulate. She did not explain the purpose of the visit. She stated that she had talked with the secretary in the absence of the Vice Consul and he advised her to contact the Ambassador. HARBURG volunteered to assist her in determining whether the Ambassador was in Washington or San Francisco, and in that connection suggested that she attend a party to be given by one SHUMLIN on June 3, 1945, since a Soviet Delegate to the San Francisco Conference would be in attendance at the party. HARBURG stated that LOGAN would be able to talk with this delegate and "perhaps get it all straightened out". Immediately following this suggestion by HARBURG, LOGAN expressed her strong desire to get into Berlin for about three days to entertain Soviet troops. The same informant has advised that LOGAN has told friends that she hoped to visit Russia on her present trip to Europe if her entertainment schedule permits. It is possible that at least one of the purposes of her visit to the local Vice Consulate was to endeavor to arrange for a visit to Berlin.

Very truly yours,

*R. B. Hood*

R. B. HOOD  
SAC

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY  
Enclosures (2)  
cc: New York - AMSD

100-23081  
HJS:CMC



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

GEA:IGS

JUNE 14, 1945

URGENT

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

100-339626-14  
Transmit the following message to:

SAC  
NEW YORK

RECORDED

ELLA LOGAN, IS-R. RE LOS ANGELES TELETYPE JUNE THIRTEEN. BUREAU DESIRES  
DISCREET FULL COVERAGE OF LOGAN'S ACTIVITIES IN NEW YORK CITY. ARRANGE  
FOR SEARCH OF PERSONAL EFFECTS UPON DEPARTURE.

HOOVER

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. McGuire \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUN 14 1945

TELETYPE

723P M

Per

FOIA b 7 - E

FOIA b 3 - 50 USC 3024(i)(1) - Intelligence Sources and Methods

**F.B.I. TELETYPE****DECODED COPY**

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

CONFERENCE 2 STATIONS WASH 7 AND NYC 3 FROM LOS ANGELES 13 2-21 PM

DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

ELSE. ELLA LOGAN - IS-R. RETEL JUNE 12 SOURCE HAVING FULL COVERAGE ADVISES SAS MALCOLM RINK AND THOMAS C. BRYANT THAT SUBJECT HAS IN POSSESSION ENROUTE NEW YORK UNMAILED LOVE LETTER ADDRESSED TO SUBJECT IN LOS ANGELES FROM MAJOR NICOLI G. LEONIDOV, REPRESENTATIVE USSR, ALLIED COMMISSION HEADQUARTERS APO 394, POSTMASTER, NEW YORK CITY. ALSO INCOMPLETE PERSONAL LETTER ADDRESSED TO LEONIDOV, RUSSIAN EMBASSY, VIA GAETA 5, ROME, ITALY. SOVIET RUSSIA TODAY OF MARCH 19 LAST, HAS ARTICLE QUOTE ELLA LOGAN MEETS THE RED ARMY UNQUOTE AS TOLD TO NATASHIA TAKCE. ARTICLE MENTIONS MAJOR LEONIDOV. ADDRESS IN SUBJECT'S POSSESSION OBTAINED.

UNSTAMPED LETTER IN GERMAN ADDRESSED TO MRS. MARIA SCHRATTER, AUSTIN STRASSE, 103 STREET POELTEN-VIEHOFEN, AUSTRIA, FROM OTTO E. SCHRATTER, VAN NUYS, CALIFORNIA LETTER PERSONAL IN NATURE. OTTO SCHRATTER MENTIONED IN REPORT ENTITLED MRS. HENDRIK ARNDT WESTEN, WAS - ESP. G, NEW YORK ORIGIN. NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION HERE. LOGAN MAY CONTACT NATASHIA TAKCE IN NEW YORK. LETTER FOLLOWS.

HOOD

RECEIVED: 6-13-45 6:22 PM EWT

FMG

TRANS.

RECORDED

EX-13 INDEXED

100-339626-11

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's coding systems.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICEURGENT

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

JUNE 16, 1945

RECORDED

Transmit the following message to: SAC, NEW YORK

ELLA LOGAN, IS-R. REURTEL JUNE SIXTEEN. MAINTAIN SPOT SURVEILLANCE.

HOOVER

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. McGuire \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Mumford \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Piper \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

COPY DESTROYED

JAN 21 1960 1581

TELETYPE

JUN 16 1945

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUN 20 1945

Per W

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JUN 16 1945

TELETYPE

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

WASH FROM NEW YORK 3 16 2-03 P

DIRECTOR URGENT

ELSE. ELLA<sup>(1)</sup> LOGAN, IS-R. REURTEL JUNE THIRTEEN LAST AND LOS ANGELES LETTER TO BUREAU OF SAME DATE. SUBJ IS IN NYC AWAITING FLIGHT ORDERS BY ATC AND WILL DEPART FOR EUROPE JUNE EIGHTEEN OR NINETEEN. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE HERE REFLECTS THEATRICAL CONTACTS. ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR INSPECTION OF PERSONAL EFFECTS UPON DEPARTURE NYC. SURVEILLANCE WILL BE DISCONTINUED THIS MIDNIGHT UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY.

CONROY

END

HOLD

NK R 3 WA

wire to NY  
6/16/45  
GEA

RECORDED

100-339626-15  
23 JUN 18 1945

cc. Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Allen

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

L.A. FILE NO. 100-23081

REPORT MADE AT <b>LOS ANGELES</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>6-18-45</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>5-21 to 6-15-45</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>HOWARD J. SEARS</b>	<b>CMC</b>
TITLE <b>CHANGED</b> <b>ELIA LOGAN, aka.</b> <b>Mrs. Fred Franklin Finklehoffe</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject has expressed to informants her strong desire to entertain Russian troops in Berlin or Russia during her contemplated U.S.O. tour

Deparred Los Angeles 6-12-45 for New York, from which point she expects to leave for Scotland and Europe on unspecified date. Informants advise subject carried in luggage to New York personal letter in German from OTTO E. SCHRATTER to his mother, MARIA SCHRATTER, in Austria. Also had in possession enroute to New York unmailed love letter addressed to subject in Los Angeles from Major NICOLAI G. LEONIDOV, Representative U.S.S.R., Allied Commission Hq., APO 394, P.M., New York City. Also V-Mail form addressed to LEONIDOV, Russian Embassy, Rome, Italy. Contents of subject's address book, background data and known Los Angeles contacts set forth.

- R U C -

REFERENCE:

Bureau letter dated February 16, 1945.  
Report of Special Agent DWIGHT M. SMITH, dated June 1, 1945 at New York.

DETAILS:

The title of this case is being changed to reflect the addition of LOGAN's complete married name.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:

*[Signature]*

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES

SR 8

COPIES OF THIS REPORT

COPY DESTROYED

- 5 - Bureau
- 2 - New York
- 2 - Los Angeles

JAN 21 1960

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

JUN 23 1945

RECORDED & INDEXED

EX-106

57 JUL 9 - 1945

LA 100-23081

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

[REDACTED]

Confidential Informant T-2 furnished the information that ELLA LOGAN, musical comedy star, was scheduled to leave Los Angeles on June 4, 1945 for a U.S.O. tour to Europe. Full details of the tour were not known to the informant but it was understood that LOGAN was to go to the European Theater of Operations. Informant also was able to furnish information from which it was ascertained that LOGAN was residing at 12812 Sunset Boulevard, where she lived with her husband, FRED PINKLEHOFF.

[REDACTED]

It was ascertained from Confidential Informant T-3 that on June 2, 1945, LOGAN told informant that she expected to be in Europe for about four weeks and then she would go to India and if possible to China and the South Pacific. She fully expected to be gone for the remainder of the current year and it was her hope that after leaving Los Angeles she would remain in New York for about five days. She advised informant that while in New York City she could probably be located at the "21" (believed to be the 21 Club), U.S.O., or the Gotham Hotel. She also mentioned to the informant that she was interested in the condition of a child who needed the services of an orthopedic surgeon and she hoped while in New York to consult with an orthopedic surgeon.

FOIA b 7 - D

[REDACTED] E Y.  
HARBURG is a song writer and motion picture producer and is known to be a friend of LOUISE BRANSTEN and MAX AVERGEN, prominent Communists. The subject advised HARBURG that on her present U.S.O. tour she intended to have the same accompanist who had been with her on a previous tour, and since she was leaving in the very near future it would be impossible for her to participate in a broadcast in which HARBURG was interested. She told HARBURG that she would be back in the United States by Christmas, 1945, but insistence that she participate in some radio programs which were to be broadcast in November, she assured him that in all probability she would be back by November, 1945. LOGAN also related to HARBURG that she expected to have a visitor at her home on June 2nd, a friend who had been a capt

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

-2-



~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

in the Rangers and had been captured at Anzio. Following his capture he had been severely mistreated by the Nazis who refused him proper medical aid, and as a result of lack of treatment he suffered a great deal until he was able to escape from a prison camp in Germany. Following his escape he had visited numerous Polish cities and talked with the people and LOGAN said he had learned from these conversations that the people in Poland wanted the government which they presently have. This friend was finally found by the Russian troops who quickly restored him to health and treated him wonderfully. He was the first American to be freed by the Russians and shortly after his rescue he was taken to the tent of the Russian general who turned out to be General ZUKOV (ph) LOGAN added that this friend had tried to see Secretary of State STETTINIUS and that as soon as he returned to the east he was going to talk to the Washington columnist DREW PEARSON. In this connection it should be noted that Confidential Informant T-4 stated that on May 30, 1945 a Mrs. JUEL (ph) had come to visit at the LOGAN home with her baby. Her husband was reported to be an Army officer who had escaped from the Nazis.

Informant T-3 reported that during the conversation with HARBURG, LOGAN mentioned having visited the Soviet Vice Consulate at Los Angeles where she was unable to see the Vice Consul because he was out of the city, but that she had talked to the secretary at the Vice Consulate and had showed him the bit about herself from "Soviet Russia Today". She told HARBURG that she had talked to the secretary about "That other business" and did not go into any further detail. The secretary, she said, had thought it best for her to contact the Ambassador. HARBURG volunteered to find out for her whether the Ambassador was in Washington or San Francisco, but subsequently suggested that it would be well for her to attend a party to be given by one SHUMLIN on June 3, 1945, since a Soviet delegate to the San Francisco Conference would be attending the party. Also in attendance at the party would be HARRY BRIDGES, prominent West Coast C. I. O. official. It was HARBURG'S suggestion that LOGAN could talk with the Soviet delegate and "perhaps get it all straightened out". The matter referred to is not definitely known, but immediately following the above suggestion by HARBURG, LOGAN expressed her strong desire to get into Berlin for about three days to entertain Soviet troops. It is possible that the latter was one of the purposes of her visit to the Vice Consulate and the reason she was referred to the Ambassador. The individual at whose home the above mentioned party was to be held on June 3, 1945, is possibly HERMAN SHUMLIN, writer and motion picture director. It was established by surveillance that a party was held from 5 to approximately 7 P.M. on June 3rd at 1325 North Wetherly Drive, which is believed to be the residence of HERMAN SHUMLIN. However, LOGAN did not attend this party. (C)

The informant also reported that in reply to some remarks that ELIA made expressing her hatred of what she called the "red baiters who are always jumping on Russia", HARBURG stated that she could expect many things to be blamed on Russia and that it was "our" job to combat it,

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

by every means possible. HARBURG stated that for the last two months he had been doing nothing but working on radio, writings, and propaganda to that end, and was presently working with an individual referred to as NORMAN on a radio script.

On June 4, 1945, Confidential Informant T-3 advised that ELLA LOGAN had received a letter that day from General MARK CLARK.

On June 5, 1945, this informant advised that LOGAN hoped to visit Berlin, mentioning the fact that she was going to the European Theater of Operations on her U.S.O. tour. On June 7th, informant advised that LOGAN had accepted a part on the program to be put on by the City of Los Angeles in honor of Generals PATTON and DOOLITTLE, on their return to Los Angeles. LOGAN accepted a part on the program but with the understanding that in the event she was able to leave for New York on her contemplated U.S.O. tour, that she could drop out of the celebration in Los Angeles. It is known that LOGAN in fact did participate in the celebration for PATTON and DOOLITTLE. She expected an invitation to a reception for the Generals at the Ambassador Hotel on the afternoon of June 9, 1945, and she is known to have given a skit on a program held at the Los Angeles Coliseum on the night of June 9th.

Confidential Informant T-3 ascertained that LOGAN particularly desired to go to the reception for the Generals because she wanted to see "LOW" (Mrs.) DOOLITTLE, who was a friend of hers. The informant was also aware that on June 7 and 8, 1945, LOGAN telephoned a Mr. PHILIPS, whose telephone number in New York City was Penn. 64641, for the purpose of ascertaining when she would be able to leave for New York. Her departure from Los Angeles was delayed because she was unable to get a priority from the branch of the Army service handling the transportation of U.S.O. entertainers. LOGAN was interested in leaving as soon as possible on the U.S.O. tour and preferred to go to the European Theater of Operations, but stated that if she could not leave on such a tour soon after arriving in New York she would be willing to leave for the India or China theater, and she was willing to go to any theater in order to at least be on her way. Her preference however, was to visit Germany first for approximately six or eight weeks, then proceed to India, China and the South Pacific and return home. She was willing to be gone in all about eight months. Her chief reason for wishing to leave immediately was that she had offers for musical comedy assignments in this country which she could not continue to turn down, but she preferred to entertain the troops overseas.

Confidential Informant T-4 furnished the information that LOGAN intended after leaving New York to first visit Scotland and to see her mother who is living in Scotland, before proceeding to Europe. To this same informant she expressed her intention to attempt to go to Russia if her entertainment schedule permitted, and stated that she hoped to meet officials of

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

the Red Army The informant had noted that LOGAN has in her home newspaper articles praising Miss LOGAN and referring to her meeting with Russian Army officials. It is believed that the newspaper articles referred to actually consists of an article in the magazine "Soviet Russia Today", which will be referred to later in this report The informant was of the opinion that the subject was for the Russians "one hundred per cent", that she believed STALIN was a very great man, and that the American people had not believed that the Russians would be able to defend themselves against the Nazis, but the Russians had "shown them". In her conversation with the informant LOGAN was vehement in her hatred of the Nazis, and from her general conversations the informant was convinced LOGAN is a Communist.

On June 12, 1945 Confidential Informant T-5 advised that a priority had been authorized by the Army for LOGAN'S passage by plane to New York City, leaving Los Angeles on June 12th A priority was also authorized for ~~FALVIUS PAPILE~~ who was to accompany LOGAN to New York.

Confidential Informant T-2 previously advised that one ~~FRANKIE PAPILE~~, an accordion player whose address was 2174-46th Street, Astoria, Long Island, was to be LOGAN'S accompanist on her U S O tour. It is not known if FRANKIE PAPILE and FALVIUS PAPILE are related, or if actually they are the same person In any event, it was established by surveillance that LOGAN proceeded to New York unaccompanied She departed from Los Angeles for New York City at 6 45 P M on June 12, 1945, aboard T W A plane, Flight 38. This flight was scheduled to arrive in New York City at 3 P M , Eastern War Time, June 13, 1945

At the time of LOGAN'S departure Confidential Informant T-6 furnished the information that she carried in her luggage a letter in the German language on the stationery of OTTO E. SCHRATTER, dated June 3, 1945. The letter was contained in an unsealed, unstamped envelope addressed to Mrs MARIA SCHRATTER, Austinstrasse 103, St. Poelten-Viehofen, Austria. A translation of the letter is as follows

"Dear Mama, it has already been two years since we have heard anything from you, we sent two letters through the American Red Cross but have received no answer, we hope that you are well and that your health is good and that we will soon hear from you Please let us have news of you and tell us how you are We want to hear from you as soon as possible. It is seven years since we last saw you and so much has happened since We also hope to know what has happened to father.

-5-

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

"We are very happy here and are only sorry that we did not come over sooner. PETER is a big strong boy, absolutely American in his thinking, for instance (he has even forgotten his mother language) and is very proud to be an American citizen, which he became a year ago together with us.

"A few months ago I bought a little business in Beverly Hills (a chemical cleaning business) and am trying to make something out of it. It is better to be one's own boss. Everyone is diligent and industrious over here and everything goes well.

"With KAY and HEINI things are going well, they have three children, 4 years, 2 years and 2 months old. ELSE is doing all right also. As soon as postal arrangements are better we will write you more details.

"HILDE has become quite healthy here. Since a few months ago she has been working here as a ceramic painter together with a great number of famous artists.

"We are living in a very beautiful home in one of the suburbs outside Los Angeles, you know how much we like to be out in the country.

"I so hope that this letter will reach you and that we soon will be able to have a real correspondence from both sides. Please do from your side all that you can to get in touch with us.

"Heartiest greetings and kisses from all of us

/s/ Your Otto

13229 Chandler Blvd.  
Van Nuys, California"

The informant was able to furnish this office with a photographic copy of the above letter and of the envelope in which it was contained. This photograph was furnished by letter to the Bureau for examination to determine if it contained any message in code and for comparison of the typewriting with known and unknown espionage writings.

-6-

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

OTTO E ~~SCHRATTER~~, believed to be identical with the writer of the above letter, is, according to Confidential Informant T-7, the brother-in-law of ~~HENDRIK ARMENDORF WESTEN~~. The files of the Los Angeles Field Division indicate that WESTEN was the subject of a previous investigation in the New York Field Division, however, T-7 believed that SCHRATTER was loyal to the United States and though he was a German alien he had never discovered anything to indicate that he was disloyal. The informant advised that SCHRATTER had taken out his first citizenship papers and did not expect to return to his native Germany. The informant knew him as a very capable, well-educated and highly trained individual who had had several positions with various laundry concerns in the New York and California area. The files of the Los Angeles Field Division reflect no derogatory information regarding SCHRATTER.

Following LOGAN'S departure from Los Angeles, Confidential Informant T-8 furnished the information that LOGAN had in her possession while enroute to New York a V-Mail letter addressed to ELLA LOGAN, 12812 Sunset Boulevard, Brentwood, California. This letter was written on the original V-Mail form and had not been photographed. It bore the return address of Major NICOLAI G. LEONIDOV, Allied Commission Hq., APO 394, Care of Representative U S S.R., P M, New York City, New York. This letter was dated February 4, 1945 and was of a personal nature, referring to the social acquaintance between LEONIDOV and LOGAN, indicating that they were possibly in love with each other. The letter was written in English with numerous errors in spelling and reflected that LEONIDOV is married and apparently has known LOGAN through a previous visit to Rome, Italy. In the letter he requested LOGAN to get in touch with him in the near future. In the body of the letter mention was made of "your friend DORIS". It is of interest to note that although this letter bore two three cent stamps they had never been cancelled, indicating that the letter was never sent through the regular mail channels. It is possible that the letter was delivered to LOGAN at her home in Brentwood by courier or perhaps sent through the Diplomatic Pouch. On the outside of this letter was a notation in English "~~JOE L. X BOURNE~~, Lt. Col. Inf." It is of course possible that this was added to the letter subsequent to the date on which it was written (C)

The informant also advised that LOGAN had in her possession a V-Mail form, believed to be in LOGAN'S handwriting. The outer address block of this form contained the address "~~Major N. X LEONIDOV & XASHIA~~, % Russian Embassy, Rome, Italy". On the outer portion of the letter where the stamp would ordinarily be placed there was a pencil notation "~~NATASHA X AKCE~~, Care of Soviet Russia Today, 114 East 32nd Street, New York City". On the inside of the V-Mail form, in the block which contains the addressee's name, appeared the following "U.S.S.R. Embassy Via Gaeta, Rome". Under this address and apparently in LOGAN'S handwriting were the following names Col. V V ~~SAVCO~~, Lt. M ~~VRATVSKY~~ or ~~VRATVSKY~~. Directly to the left of the addressee's block appeared the following notations in a different handwriting (C)

Roma

Via Gaeta 5

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Ambasciata USSR ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
 Leonidov  
 Savco  
 Uraevsky (which appeared in Russian script)

The main portion of the V-Mail letter which is ordinarily used for writing contained no letter, however, it bore the following addresses in large ink script, apparently written by LOGAN

Capt. Bernsar	Elsa Schiaparelli
Gen. Clark	c/o Parfume
Mrs. CORAINE ABERENSON	610 5th Avenue
2 Lime St.	New York City
Boston	
Lafayette 4584	

Written corner-wise across the lower left hand corner of this letter in pencil was the following notation Murrayhill 29170, Mr MacDonal, Sec. Also, the notation "Hotel Lowell, Reg. 44980"

Regarding the names mentioned in the above V-Mail letter forms, it is noted that the March, 1945 issue of the magazine "Soviet Russia Today", on page 26, has a full page article entitled "Ella Logan Meets the Red Army as told to NATASHA TAKCE". The article displays a picture of LOGAN in Army camp snow uniform, and in the article LOGAN states that she had returned to New York after an overseas tour, during which she spent four months in Italy. She stated that the greatest and most enjoyable event during her stay in Italy was a concert given by Soviet artists. Regarding this performance the article states "There was MASHA PREDIT, a tall, handsome woman, with a beautiful soprano voice whose idol is MARION ANDERSON, and ROMAN LAD, pianist and they presented a thrilling concert of classical Russian music". The article mentions that during her visit she had dinner with Soviet officers and men and was invited to meet the Soviet General and his staff. Following this mention of meeting the Soviet General and his staff, and without further identification, the article reads "Major LEONIDOV told me about his wife and two sons whom he hadn't seen in four years, and gave me his cuff links from Stalingrad". The Soviet General was not identified in the article but was described as being very tall "taller than MARK CLARK". The article reports interviews that LOGAN had with American soldiers who expressed admiration for what the Russians had done on the eastern front, and also included a criticism of WILLIAM L. WHITE'S book "Report on the Russians". LOGAN mentioned in the article that Mrs. OURAYEVSKY who had been with the Soviet Vice Consulate in New York before joining the Embassy staff in Italy acted as interpreter on the occasions when she was with the Russians. The article expressed hope for the interchange of artists and shows between the United States and Russia after the war, and concluded "and as for me after my trip to the Pacific area which I intend making soon, I only hope I can go to the Soviet Union to entertain the Red Army".

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Confidential Informant T-8 also furnished the following addresses contained in LOGAN'S address book which was a small book approximately 4 x 5 inches in size (C)

~~SYDIE~~ ~~BERNSTEIN~~  
45 Warner Street  
Springfield, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. ~~BLANKFORD~~,  
1326 North Hayworth  
Hollywood, Calif.  
GR 1650

The Los Angeles telephone directory lists Mrs SYLVIA ~~BLANKFORD~~ at 1326 North Hayworth, Los Angeles, with telephone number Granite 1650. This individual is identical with SYLVIA BLANKFORT whom Source T-9 on July 22, 1943 reported was listed in the membership records of Branch H of the Northwest Section of the Los Angeles County Communist Party. She is married to ~~HENRY~~ ~~BLANKFORT~~, writer and Communist Party member

General MARK CLARK  
3133 Connecticut Ave  
Washington, D C.  
Kennedy-Warren Apartments  
Michigan 5412

~~KENDELL~~ ~~COFFIS~~,  
Charleston 80381

~~PAUL~~ and ~~VIOLA~~ ~~GAUGHN~~  
Granite 9221

~~EDDIE~~ ~~DELANGE~~  
Granada 432

~~FRANK~~ ~~DEVOE~~  
SU 14312 or 17312

~~SALLY~~ and ~~CHESTER~~ ~~ERSKINE~~  
Crestview 6-0406

~~PETER~~ ~~FURST~~  
416 North Poinsettia Place  
Los Angeles

The files of the Los Angeles Field Division reflect that one PETER FURST whose 1942 address was 1417 1/2 North Catalina, registered as an enemy alien and indicated that he was born on May 22, 1922 at Cologne, Germany. The same individual has appeared voluntarily at the Los Angeles Field Division on several occasions and furnished information regarding anti-semitic and pro-Nazi organizations. On such occasions he has described himself as a free-lance writer who has written for "P.M." and other New York publications. In January, 1943 he stated he was a staff correspondent on the newspaper "P M"

~~LEO~~ ~~FULD~~  
Col. 50070

Confidential Informant T-10 reported that the name LEO FULD, Holland Hotel, New York City, was found in the personal notebook of JORIS ~~EVENS~~, who is a suspect in the Comrap Case (C)

Col. and Mrs. ~~GALE~~  
359 Dorantes Avenue  
San Francisco, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. ~~GARLEY~~ (?)  
47 Hiland Hillcrest  
Fort Smith, Arkansas

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~YIPPER HARBURG~~  
Bentley Avenue  
West Los Angeles  
ARiz. 3-9062

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

This individual is identical with E Y HARBURG, mentioned previously in this report.

~~VAN HEFLIN~~  
Westwood  
ARiz. 3-0102

~~EUGENE LORING~~  
HEmpstead 8664

Confidential Informant T-11 furnished the information in April, 1943 that ~~LEO BERGER~~, seaman from New York and a veteran of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, had during the week of March 28, 1943 to April 3, 1943, been in contact with ~~STEVE NELSON~~, Alameda County secretary of the Communist Party, and BERGER had advised the informant that he had driven to San Francisco from Hollywood, California where for four or five days he had visited in the home of ~~ELEANOR HEFLIN~~, wife of VAN HEFLIN. He indicated to informant that ELEANOR HEFLIN was a member of the Communist Party. VAN HEFLIN is a movie actor in hollywood.

~~JEANE~~  
20th Century  
ARiz. 3-1144

~~CHARLOTTE JONES~~  
St. Nicholas Avenue  
New York City  
Apartment 51  
EDg. 45967 or 45964

~~SALLY and BOB NELSON~~  
1129 Granville  
Charlotte, N Carolina

~~Dr. LOUIS PELLETTIERE~~  
99 Park Hill Avenue  
Yonkers, New York or  
Midtown Hospital

~~WILL BREYER~~  
Hotel Weylin  
New York City

~~MAMIE RAWLEY~~  
12030 Coyne Street  
Los Angeles

~~ROMANOFFS~~  
CRestview 6-0241, also  
CRestview 1-9105

bar

This is a well-known Beverly hills restaurant and cocktail

~~JEANIE SCOTT~~  
"Alverthroe"  
Jenkintown, Pa

TWA  
Captain ~~CHICK FREDERICS~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~



LA 100-23081

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

U S.S.R. Consul  
NO 1-1166  
2315 Vermont Avenue  
near Los Feliz

~~MAX WELDY~~  
1239 North Highland  
Hillside 9796

Confidential Informant T-12 advised that MAX WELDY, on January 18, 1944, visited at the home of JOSEPH N. VERMOLIEFF, 10227 Wilkins Avenue, West Los Angeles, who is the subject of a separate investigation in the Los Angeles Field Division. The informant advised that WELDY at that time lived at 8167 Appian Way, Los Angeles, but that his permanent address was 105-55th Street, New York City. He was a designer for George White's Scandals. Informant stated that WELDY had a definite accent but he was unable to state whether the accent was German or Russian.

~~MEYER~~  
602 North Mansfield

~~JACK LEVIN~~  
Stanley 4-1131

TR 6981  
ALI

ARiz 4-1144

ARiz. 3-0102

Confidential Informant T-8 stated that inside the subject's address book, on a separate loose sheet of paper, appeared a typewritten list of articles of children's clothing beginning "5 baby shirts". The list included several similar items, each with a specific number, and at the bottom of the list was the following notation

~~DOROTHY ESTES~~, Civilian  
USPOLAD, APO 512  
Care Postmaster  
New York, or care of Mail Section, Department of  
State, marked "Dip Pouch".

Of the above names and addresses where no identifying data appears the files of the Los Angeles Field Division are negative.

The following background data concerning ELIA LOGAN has been developed during the course of this investigation.

Confidential Informant T-3 ascertained that according to the subject her legal name is ELIA LOGAN RINKLEHOFF and that she was born on March 6, 1913 at Glasgow, Scotland. LOGAN claims to be a citizen of the United States but the manner in which she received her citizenship is not known. She received a United States passport in 1943, however, LOGAN stated that this was not presently in her possession as it was picked up in London during one of her previous trips and had not been returned to her. She

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

-11-

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

thought that it was probably on file in Washington.

LOGAN'S present husband, FRED FRANKLIN FINKLEHOFF, is her second husband. She was married to him, according to the records on file with the Clerk of the Los Angeles County Court, on September 23, 1942 at Greenwich, Connecticut. The marriage license which was issued in Connecticut was filed at Los Angeles on October 31, 1942 without a statement as to the reason for its being filed in this county. The marriage records showed that FINKLEHOFF'S parents were BARNEY and ANNA PICHMOND. ELLA LOGAN gave her age at that time as 29, born in Glasgow, Scotland, a resident of New York City and divorced, the marriage in question being her second. She listed her father as JAMES LOGAN and her mother as ANNABELLA MAULEY.

On May 25, 1945, Special Agent ROBERT LAPACHET of the San Francisco Field Division advised Special Agent H. FRANK ANGELL of this office that he recalled having interviewed ELLA LOGAN during May, 1941 at which time she reported an individual to the San Francisco Office as being a pro-Nazi. At that time LOGAN was appearing in a vaudeville program at the Golden State Theater in San Francisco where she was making \$1,000 a week and was living at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel in San Francisco. At that time LOGAN furnished background information regarding herself to the extent of going into detail about her unfortunate first marriage. The name of her first husband was not mentioned but she related that they had two children who at that time were being cared for by LOGAN'S sister. LOGAN also mentioned being acquainted with the motion picture and stage actors JACK HALEY and GEORGE JESSEL, and remembered that she had appeared in a series of vaudeville skits entitled "Show Time", with JESSEL and HALEY. She also mentioned that she had several brothers who were in England in the armed forces. At the time she seemed very concerned about activities of the Nazis in the United States.

Special Agent KENNETH E. KNUDSON, under a suitable pretext, ascertained that the subject and her husband previously resided at 519 North Elm Street, Beverly Hills, California and moved to their present address, 12812 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles, about May 29, 1944. FINKLEHOFF is the owner of the property at the Sunset Boulevard address. Also living at this address are KATHERINA LOGAN MAUSS, believed to be the subject's sister, and her husband, EDWARD MAUSS. There is a young girl named ANNABELLA, about 15 years of age, and MINNIE, about 8 or 9 years of age, believed to be LOGAN'S children.

Confidential Informant T-4 furnished the information that FINKLEHOFF'S sister, FAY FINKLEHOFF, who is employed at Cooper's Ready to Wear Shop in Hollywood, also lives at this address. Informant stated that there were numerous motion picture people frequently in the home and frequently they were guests for dinner. Subject advised the informant that she enjoys entertaining soldiers and would rather do that sort of work than to be employed in the entertainment field in the United States. She

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

mentioned she had been abroad three times under the auspices of the Army entertainment program.

Confidential Informant T-3 learned that the subject and her husband are having marital difficulties, the subject advising in the informant's presence that her husband didn't care about her leaving for Europe and that as far as she was concerned she could truthfully say that she didn't ever want to come back. She accused her husband of showing no interest in her and spending all of his time with PAUL DRAPER and movie actor GEORGE RAFT. There is no information in the files of the Los Angeles Field Division regarding PAUL DRAPER.

There is no record of LOGAN'S naturalization on file in the office of the Clerk of the United States District at Los Angeles and she is not registered as a voter in Los Angeles County.

LOGAN'S husband is registered for Selective Service with LDB No. 4, Quakertown, Borough Hall, Quakertown, Pennsylvania. He has Order Number 252A.

Confidential Informant T-13, who furnished the above information, advised that FINKLEHOFF was born in Springfield, Massachusetts on February 16, 1910. He is a playwright and screen writer and has not been accepted for military service, due to an old injury one leg is shorter than the other. The 1943-44 International Motion Picture Almanac lists FINKLEHOFF as a writer who collaborated on the screen plays "Brother Rat and a Baby" and "For Me and My Gal", as well as other musical comedy productions. The files of the Los Angeles Field Division contain no additional information regarding FRED FINKLEHOFF or any of the other individuals residing in the FINKLEHOFF home.

A check of the back telephone toll calls from the LOGAN residence for the period April 28 to May 24, 1945 revealed calls were made to the following numbers. This check also revealed calls to numerous theater agencies, motion picture studios and commercial concerns which are not being set forth except in those instances where the identity of the individual called is believed to be known.

<u>Telephone Number</u>	<u>Name of Individual</u>
CRestview 6-0406	<u>SALLY ERSKINE</u> , 132 South Spaulding Drive, Beverly Hills, Apartment 218.
CRestview 5-3567	<u>SID SILVERS</u> , 9626 West Olympic Boulevard, Beverly Hills, California

This individual is a close friend and probably a business associate of FRED FINKLEHOFF

CRestview 6-0836- Mrs. FRANCES GUMP, 522 North Foothill Road.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

LA 100-23081

Telephone  
Number

Name of Individual

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CRestview 5-1486  
CRestview 5-3684

FRED DECORDOVA, 1400 North Doheny, Los Angeles  
ISOBEL LENNART, 9017 Burton Way, Apartment 7.

Confidential Informant T-14 furnished the information that ISOBEL LENNART is the professional name of ISOBEL FREDRICKA HOCKDORF. She was employed in January, 1945 by the Metro Goldwyn Mayer Studios as a writer and on January 8, 1945 was tentatively assigned to the Beverly Hills Cultural CPA Club, which is a part of the Northwest Section of the CPA.

CRestview 6-8705

EVELYN ALANDAU, 236 $\frac{1}{2}$  South Spaulding Drive,  
Beverly Hills, California.

CRestview 6-2680

Mrs. A. JEAN VANCE, 604 North Canon Drive,  
Beverly Hills, California.

CRestview 5-6028

L. C. SHADOWENS, 9287 Burton Way, Beverly  
Hills, California.

CRestview 6-4389

CARL WARD DUDLEY, 1712 Ambassador Avenue,  
Beverly Hills.

This individual is reported to be a writer for Varner Brothers Studios.

CRestview 5-7564

NORMA TALMADGE, Deep Canyon Road, Los Angeles.

CRestview 5-3718

JOEL E. MOSS, 810 North Camden Drive, Beverly  
Hills, California

CRestview 1-5479

PATSY BROGAN, 240 South Lasky Drive, Beverly  
Hills, California. This number is also listed  
to EARL G. WICKS.

CRestview 1-0885

Miss GRACE FORBES, 319 North Rodeo Drive,  
Beverly Hills, Calif.

HEmpstead 8664

EUGENE LORING, 1732 Crisler Way.

HEmpstead 1874

FRANKLYN THORPE, M D, 6777 Hollywood Boulevard,  
Room 609.

AXminister 2-9994

THELMA BEMAN, 4473 West 61st Street

Normandy 0950

RAY ROSS, 5121 Franklin Avenue.

The files of the Los Angeles Field Division contain several references to individuals named RAY ROSS, none of whom can be identified with the above individual.

Gladstone 8740

JAMES McLEAN, 5930 Barton Avenue, Apartment 201.

Gladstone 3906

ALEXIS TCHERKASSKY, 6413 Primrose Avenue.

This individual was interviewed in the Los Angeles Field Office on April 9, 1942 when he applied for a position as translator of the Russian language. At that time he advised he was born in St Petersburg,

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

LA 100-23081

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Russia on August 18, 1904 and entered the United States in 1923. He stated that he was a singer and had frequently appeared in concerts in the United States and Europe. He had not been out of the United States since 1931 and on February 27, 1939 was naturalized at New York City. In New York he resided at 109-69th Street. His father at the time of the interview was living in Russia. He is an honorary member of the Russian War Veterans Screen Guild. He was afforded an examination but was not employed.

York 4245  
Sunset 2-7649

JANET CRUMLEY, 2933 Redondo Boulevard.  
ALBERT T. THAYEP, 5711 Rhodes Avenue, North  
Hollywood.

Sunset 1-2727

WILLIAM M. RICHARDS, JR., 4532 Ben Avenue,  
North Hollywood.

Lafayette 9831  
Granite 3482  
Hempstead 1702  
Wyoming 7014  
Crestview 5-8041

RICH BUNKER, 1546 East 58th Drive.  
ROSE HOBART, 3456 Floyd Terrace.  
PIRIE BROWN, 2440 1/2 North Beachwood Drive.  
S. LEWIS, 451 South Crescent Heights Boulevard.  
GUIDO WISCHEL, 526 North Alpine Drive, Beverly  
Hills.

Michigan 5412

Mrs. MARK W. CLARK, 3133 Connecticut Avenue,  
Washington, D.C.

Charlotte 6372

Mrs. Mason (no address), Charlotte, North  
Carolina

On June 2, 1945, Confidential Informant T-3 stated that the subject talked to FRANK ZEVAL (ph) regarding a check she was making out for \$3000.00. The subject stated that she was "paying for everything, including the musicians", and after some discussion she decided it should be made to NORMAN GRANT, inasmuch as NORMAN was a "sort of go between". The purpose of this check is not known.

Confidential Informant T-15 advised that one NORMAN G., who is possibly identical with NORMAN GRANT, was a member of the Communist Party and in 1944 was a member of the Communist Political Association.

A physical surveillance of the subject's residence from May 22 to 27, 1945 revealed that the following individuals visited at the residence, in addition to persons known to be living at the house and individuals whose contact with the subject has previously been treated in this report.

On May 23, 1945, an automobile registered to MAMO CLARK was observed at the subject's residence. The files of the Los Angeles Office revealed that an informant whose reliability is not known advised in 1940 that he was a friend of MAMO CLARK and was distressed because she was associating with persons whose talk indicated they had Communist leanings. Miss CLARK is a Honolulu born screen actress who has played minor roles in several films in Hollywood.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

LA 100-23081

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

On May 23, 1945, a car bearing California license number 1 S 6123 which is registered to PHILLIP J. JACKLEY, 813 South Amalfi Drive, Pacific Palisades, was observed at the residence of LOGAN. On the same date a car bearing California license 1 B 4826, registered to PETER LAWFORD, 400 North Camden Drive, Beverly Hills, was observed to return the subject from a shopping tour in the Westwood Village section of Los Angeles to her residence.

PETER LAWFORD is a young motion picture star, and a pretext interview with him by Special Agent H. FRANK ANGELL revealed that he had little or no conception or concern about politics and it appears that his association with the subject is purely on a social basis. His father, SIDNEY LAWFORD, 1833 Benicia Avenue, was observed to visit the subject's residence on May 23, 1945 also.

- REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

LA 100-23081

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
~~CONFIDENTIAL~~SOURCE T-1 [REDACTED]SOURCE T-2Miss FRANCES ~~INGILLS~~, Secretary to KENNETH ~~THOMPSON~~,  
Hollywood Victory Committee, Los Angeles.SOURCE T-3 [REDACTED]SOURCE T-4 [REDACTED]SOURCE T-5Mrs JOHNSON, Operations Office, TWA, Lockheed Air  
Terminal, Burbank, California.SOURCE T-6A confidential source known to Special Agents BERTIN  
WEYL and HOWARD J SEARSSOURCE T-7 [REDACTED]SOURCE T-8A confidential source known to Special Agents MALCOLM  
M RINK and THOMAS E BRYANTSOURCE T-9Report of Special Agent JAMES W MASON, dated January  
7, 1944 at Los Angeles in the case entitled SYLVIA  
BLANKFORT, SECURITY MATTER - C, L.A File 100-20415-2SOURCE T-10Report of Special Agent DANIEL F CAHILL, dated February  
24, 1945 at Los Angeles, in case entitled GEORGE HENRI-  
ANTON ~~WENS~~, wa , INTERNAL SECURITY - R, L A 100-18730-  
65, page 32.SOURCE T-11Report of Special Agent JAMES W MASON, dated July 22,  
1943 at Los Angeles, in the case entitled ~~VIOLA ADLER~~,  
et al, CUSTODIAL DETENTION - C, as furnished by [REDACTED]SOURCE T-12Report of Special Agent SIDNEY E THWING, dated January 26,  
1944 at Los Angeles, in the case entitled HENRI ~~SONNET~~,  
et al, ESPIONAGE - GSOURCE T-13

LDB No. 264, City Hall, Beverly Hills, California

SOURCE T-14Report of Special Agent DAVID A MacCULLOCH DATED January  
27, 1945 at Los Angeles, entitled ISOBEL LEINWART, was ,  
SECURITY MATTER - C, L A File 100-22600-5.~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

-17-

LA 100-23081

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

SOURCE T-15

Report of Special Agent JOHN R. VICARS, dated August 26, 1944 at Los Angeles, in the case entitled Communist Political Association, District 13, Los Angeles Field Division, ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ Internal Security - C, L A File 100-1763-1979

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~





**Federal Bureau of Investigation**  
**United States Department of Justice**  
 Los Angeles 13, California  
 June 18, 1945

PERSONAL AND ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director, FBI

FOIA b 7 - D Re ELLA LOGAN, aka  
 Mrs Fred Franklin Finklehoffe  
 INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Dear Sir

[redacted] furnished information in the above case during the period from May 31, 1945 through June 12, 1945.

The informant was of valuable assistance in this case furnishing information regarding subject's departure for New York City and plans for her trip as a U S O entertainer overseas.

The services of this informant were discontinued on June 14, 1945 following the subject's departure for New York City



100-23081  
 HJS CMC

REC'D - SED  
 SE 26 Very truly yours,  
 4 R B  
 R B HOOD  
 SAC

EX - 6

100-3396-17  
 JUN 25 1945

RECORDED COPIED IN

FOIA b 7 - E  
 FOIA b 3 - 50 USC 3024(i)(1) - Intelligence Sources and Methods

REPORT  
of the

77253

EN3:FEW



FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON D. C.

July 2, 1945

SAC, Los Angeles

To: There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on June 16, 1945.

ELLA LOGAN, also known as  
Mrs. Fred P. Pinkshoffe  
Re: INTERNAL SECURITY - R

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Los Angeles

Examination requested by: Letter June 13, 1945

Reference: Document - Cryptographic

Examination requested:

- Qc1 One photostatic copy of envelope bearing typewritten address "Mrs. Maria Schratter Austinstrasse 103 St. Poelten-Viehofen Austria".  
Specimen  
Qc2 Photostatic copy of accompanying typewritten letter headed OTTO E. SCHRATTER, dated 9. Juni 1945, beginning: "Liebste Mama, es ist fast zwei,...." and ending "...und Kusse von uns allen" and signed "Dein Dotting".

RESULT OF EXAMINATION:

The typewriting on the specimens listed above, Qc1 and Qc2, was compared with material contained in the File of Writings pertaining to National Security without effecting an identification. Unless advised to the contrary a photographic copy of this typewriting will not be added to the file at this time.

The instant specimens have been examined for the presence of code or cipher messages, but none was disclosed. Specimen Qc2 is a personal letter telling of the writer's life in this country. The translation from the German as given in the cover letter submitting this material for examination was found to be adequate.

Specimens Qc1 and Qc2 are being retained in the files of the Laboratory.

2-Los Angeles

2-New York

1-Laboratory

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. E. A. Tamm  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Coffey  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Mumford  
Mr. Jones  
Mr. Quinn Tamm  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

GEA/dm

RECORDED  
EX-72

SAC, New York

July 6, 1945

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

ELLA LOGAN  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Reference is made to the pending report of Special Agent Dwight M. Smith at New York, June 1, 1945, in the above-captioned matter. Since the date this report was prepared Miss Logan has returned to New York City and is awaiting transportation to Berlin where she expects to entertain Soviet troops.

Appropriate arrangements should be made to examine her personal effects at the time she departs from the United States and any material in her possession which appears pertinent to this case should be thoroughly examined.

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

MAILED 8  
JUL 6 1945  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
234

Handwritten signatures and initials are present, including a large signature that appears to be "J. Edgar Hoover" and other initials.

# F.B.I. TELETYPE

## DECODED COPY

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

CONF 2 STATIONS WASH 15 AND NYC 3 FR M LOSA 14 344 P  
 DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK CITY URGENT  
 ELSE.

ELLA LOGAN ISR. SUBJECT ADDRESS BOOK CONTAINS FOLLOWING ADDRESSES  
 MRS. CORAINE BERENSON, TWO LIME ST, BOSTON.  
 ELSA SCHIAPERELLI, CARE OF PARFUME, SIX ONE NAUGHT FIFTH AVE, NYC  
 SYBLIERNSTEIN, FOUR FIVE WARPER ST, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.  
 GENERAL MARK CLARK, THREE ONE THREE THREE CONNECTICUT AVE, WASHINGTON D.C.  
 WILLI PREYER, HOTEL WEYLIN, NYC.  
 DR LOUISA PELLETIERE, NINE NINE PARK HILL AVE, YONKERS, NY OR MIDTOWN HOSPITAL.  
 CHARLOTTE JONES, ST. NICHOLAS AVE, NYC, APT FIVE ONE.  
 SALLY AND BOB MASON, ONE ONE TWO NINE GRANVILLE, CHARLOTTE, N.C.  
 WICKS CHEMICAL CO, ONE TWO TWO EAST FORTY SECOND AND LEXINGTON AVE, NYC  
 JEANIE SCOTT, QUOTE ALVERTHROPE UNQUOTE, JENKINTOWN, PA.  
 TELEPHONE NUMBER MURRAYHILL TWO NINE ONE SEVEN NAUGHT, MR. MACDONAL SEC.  
 LEO FULD QUOTE COL FIVE NAUGHT NAUGHT SEVEN NAUGHT UNQUOTE.  
 DOROTHY ESTES, CIVILIAN QUOTE USPOLAD, APO FIVE ONE TWO, CARE OF POSTMASTER N.Y. UNQUOTE OR CARE MAIL SECTION, DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
 MARKED QUOTE DIP POUCH UNQUOTE.  
 INDICES NEGATIVE HERE EXCEPT ON LEO FULD WHOSE ADDRESS HOLLAND HOTEL, N.Y. WAS IN ADDRESS BOOK OF JORIS VIVENS, MENTIONED IN COMRAP FILE.

HOOD  
 RECEIVED 6-15-45 12:21 AM EWT MOC

RECORDED  
 INDEXED

155

EX-72

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's coding systems.

*mc*  
**F.B.I. TELETYPE**

**DECODED COPY**

*6:22 PM  
6-13-45  
No action  
P.M.*

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

*[Handwritten signatures and initials over routing slip]*

CONF 2 STATIONS

WASH 1 AND NYC 1 FROM LOSA 12 922 P

DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

ELSE.

ELLA LOGAN IS R. SUBJECT DEPARTED LOS ANGELES SIX FORTY FIVE PM TODAY VIA TWA FLIGHT NUMBER 38 UNACCOMPANIED. SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE NYC THREE PM EWT, JUNE 13 INSTANT. WEARING KHAKI JODHPURS, ARMY TYPE SHIRT, OVERSEAS CAP. HAS RESERVATIONS AMBASSADOR HOTEL, NY. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT STATES SUBJ HAS LETTER IN GERMAN APPARENTLY NOT LETTER IN QUESTION, FOR SOMEONE'S MOTHER IN AUSTRIA. ALSO HAS IN PERSONAL POSSESSION BROWN LEATHER SHOULDER BAG AND CANVAS KNAPSACK, CONTENTS UNKNOWN. DATE OF DEPARTURE FROM NY UNKNOWN.

TRANSMITTED NYC MC HOOD

RECEIVED 6-13-45 1:10 AM EWT MOC

100-339626

RECORDED  
EX-30

100-339626-19

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's coding systems.

58 JUL 14 1945 234

OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI  
FROM : SAC, Los Angeles  
SUBJECT: : MALCOLM M. RINK  
THOMAS E. BRYANT  
H. FRANK ANGELL  
SPECIAL AGENTS

DATE: June 18, 1945

77298

FOIA b 7 - D

As the Bureau is aware, this office has been conducting an investigation into the case entitled, "ELLA LOGAN, INTERNAL SECURITY R", information having been received from confidential sources that she had in her possession, a letter which she intended to take to Italy with her on a USO tour [REDACTED]

I believe that the investigation in connection with this matter in Los Angeles was handled in a highly satisfactory manner by Special Agents ANGELL and RINK. The case was assigned to Agent ANGELL and the two of them were successful in developing a confidential informant [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] It was thus possible to know the habits of the Subject and the likely location of the communication in her possession.

Extensive arrangements were made through a contact with an air line and as a result, Agents BRYANT and RINK accompanied the Subject on an airplane between Los Angeles and Kansas City. They had made available to them from a confidential Source, the communication as well as several other items of extreme interest which the Subject was carrying in her possession. It was definitely ascertained that she intends violating the Censorship Act by taking communications out of the country on her person. Agent ANGELL was scheduled to accompany the Subject on this surveillance, however, he was ill and Agent BRYANT was substituted for him.

In view of the extreme dangers involved in conducting this investigation aboard an airplane and having photographic copies of a document made, it is recommended that \$100 raises in salary be given to Agents RINK and BRYANT and that they receive letters of commendation for their activities in this case. It is recommended that Agent ANGELL receive a letter of commendation for his handling of the case. [REDACTED]

In my opinion this case was handled most aggressively and intelligently from the very inception by Agents ANGELL and RINK.

RBH:VL

RECEIVED

RECORDED

EX - 58

50 AUG 24 1945

QEA:WMJ

SAC, New York

September 25, 1945

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

ELLA LOGAN  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

77297

Reference is made to the RUC report of Special Agent Howard J. Sears dated at Los Angeles, California, on June 18, 1945, in the above-captioned matter. Reference report indicated that Ella Logan expected to remain in New York City for a short period of time during June of 1945 and thereafter proceed to Europe, carrying with her communications addressed to Soviet representatives or possible Soviet agents in the European theater.

By letter dated July 6, 1945, your office was instructed to make appropriate arrangements to examine her personal effects at the time she departed from the United States.

A review of the Bureau's files fails to disclose the receipt of a report or of any information relative to Ella Logan's activities subsequent to her arrival in New York in June, 1945. You have failed to advise the Bureau of her departure and whether any effort was made to examine her personal effects at that time. This matter should receive immediate attention and a report should be submitted not later than October 15, 1945.

RECORDED

100-339626-21  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
SEP 25 1945  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Gurnea \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

CEA/dm

100-339626 - 22

October 16, 1945

SAC, New York

FOIA b 7 - E

FOIA b 3 - 50 USC 3024 i 1 - Intelligence Sources and Methods

EX-49

ELLA LOGAN, was  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Reference is made to the closing report of Special Agent Dwight M. Smith, Jr., at New York in the above-captioned matter.

Inasmuch as Ella Logan expects to return to the United States during September or October of 1945 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] this matter should be reopened in order to report her return to the United States and any contacts she may make immediately thereafter.

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. E. A. Tamm  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Coffey  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Pennington  
Mr. Quinn Tamm  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

MAILED 30

OCT 16 1945 P.M.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

53 OCT 19 1945

*Caton*  
*Allen*  
*SRO*



# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

NY FILE NO. **100-74558**

**JAW**

REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW YORK</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>9/26/45</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>6/13-20; 8/27-29; 9/19/45</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>DWIGHT M. SMITH, JR.</b>
TITLE <b>ELLA LOGAN, also known as Mrs. Fred Franklin Finklehoffe</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>INTERNAL SECURITY - R</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Physical surveillance June 14-20, 1945, reflects Subject stayed at GOTHAM HOTEL, NYC, and her activities and contacts mainly connected with entertainers and theatrical people. Surveyed telephone calls made from hotel appear negative. Confidential Informant T-2 advised that at time of Subject's departure for Europe from LaGuardia Airport on 6/20/45 considerable theatrical material, address books were found in her possession, but nothing that would indicate courier activities, USO office, NYC, advises Subject will probably return to US during September or October 1945.

- C -

**REFERENCE:**

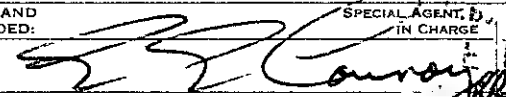
Bureau File #100-339626.  
Report of Special Agent Dwight M. Smith, Jr., New York, 6/1/45.  
Report of Special Agent Howard J. Sears, Los Angeles, 6/18/45.

**DETAILS:**

Reference report of Special Agent HOWARD J. SEARS dated June 18, 1945, indicates that the Subject departed from Los Angeles, California, for New York City at 6:45 P.M. on June 12, 1945, aboard a TWA plane, Flight #38. This flight was scheduled to arrive in New York City at 3:00 P.M. on June 13, 1945.

As a result of surveillance conducted by the New York Field Division, it was ascertained that the Subject following her arrival in New York City stayed at the GOTHAM HOTEL located at 55th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City.

The physical surveillance reflected that the Subject was seen on June 15, 1945, in the company of JACK BENNY, JIM FALKENBERG, ED GARDNER, identified

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: 	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <b>W. C. CROFT</b>	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-weight: bold;">100-339626-22</div>
COPIES OF THIS REPORT 5-Bureau 1-Los Angeles (information) 3-New York		RECORDED & INDEXED <div style="text-align: right;"><b>EX-68</b></div>
COPY DESTROYED JAN 21 1966		

NY 100-74558

as ARCHIE of "DUFFY'S TAVERN", and several unknown persons believed to be connected with the theatrical field. They were observed at the office of the USO in New York City located at 8 West 40th Street.

Surveillance conducted on June 16, 1945, indicated that the Subject's contacts were social and her activities were limited to the HOTEL GOTHAM and CLUB 21 located at 21 West 52nd Street in New York City.

Surveillance conducted on June 18, 1945, reflected that the Subject went to the Passport Division of the United States State Department, Room 270, Rockefeller Center, New York City, and later went to TOOTS SHORS at 51 West 51st Street, New York City, where Subject was observed drinking and talking to several persons at the bar.

It was noted during the surveillances that the Subject would often stop a soldier on the street and engage in conversation. It would appear that the Subject would recognize the Army insignia worn by several of these soldiers and it is believed that the Subject had entertained troops in the various areas represented by the Army insignia.

Spot surveillance reflected that on June 17, 1945, a Sunday, the Subject spent the day at the home of Dr. J. JOSEPH JACOBSON located at Greenhaven, Rye, New York. The New York files are negative regarding this individual, and it should be noted later in this report that the Subject had in her address book the address of DOLLY and JOE JACOBSON, 134 Dale Road, Greenhaven, Rye, New York.

Through Confidential Informant T-1 it was ascertained that the Subject made many telephone calls from her hotel room. The following calls were made on June 14, 1945:

Plaza 8-0833	Residence of DUNCAN FRASER, 320 Park Avenue, New York City
Plaza 6-4641	USO office
Ashland 4-9100	IRVING TRUST COMPANY
Circle 7-3700	Office of JOHN D. ROCKEFELLER, JR.
Murray Hill 2-3600	ABERGROMBIE AND FITCH, 45th Street & Madison Ave., New York City
Wisconsin 7-6034	DAVEGA CITY RADIO, INC.
Volunteer 5-2500	DELMONICO HOTEL
Circle 7-2160	WILLIAM MARIS, Theatrical Agency
Plaza 5-5757	LA MARTINIQUE RESTAURANT
Circle 7-2000	HOTEL WOODWARD
Wisconsin 2-2000	COLUMBIA BROADCASTING COMPANY
Circle 7-5260	ROLAND FRENCH, Hair Stylist, 1363 6th Avenue, New York City

NY 100-74558

Circle 6-6480      DYKES LUMBER COMPANY, 348 West 44th Street, New York City

On the same day the Subject made long distance calls to Dr. JACOBSON's residence, mentioned above, to a Miss MASON, telephone 8831, Charlestown, Pennsylvania, and to a party named O'GANTZ, telephone 0141, Jenkinstown, Pennsylvania. She also made a call to Mr. FINKLEHOFF at Milford, Connecticut, 1130.

Calls made by this Subject on June 15, 16, 17 and 18, 1945, were of a similar nature, showing calls to the MAYFLOWER HOTEL, WILMINGTON HOTEL, WALDORF ASTORIA, SCHAMBORD RESTAURANT, PICCADILLY TICKET SERVICE, 227 West 45th Street, CHATHAM HOTEL, and CAFE SOCIETY.

The Subject departed from New York City in the late afternoon of June 20, 1945. She departed on an Air Transport Command plane from La Guardia Airport in a party of USO entertainers. This party was described as the "JACK BENNY USO SHOW". Special Agent EDMUND V. KADELL and the writer were present at the time of their departure and it was noted that the Subject was observed talking to other members of the USO troop and to various soldiers in the vicinity in a very gay manner. She appeared quite happy that she was making the trip and was the center of considerable conversation. It did not appear to the writer that there was anything in her manner that would indicate she was attempting to take out of the United States any illegal documents. Her baggage was searched along with other baggage by the Customs Officer In Charge, JOSEPH J. BURTON, Deputy Collector. It was noted by the writer that upon the Subject's arrival at the airport and upon a request to take her baggage to the Customs desk, she saw/soldier and left the baggage at the desk apparently paying no further attention to it.

Through Confidential Informant T-2, it was ascertained that the Subject had in her possession a considerable amount of theatrical literature, consisting of various different pieces of music, and articles and photographs of movie actors and actresses. She had many photographs of herself, believed to be for autographic purposes. The Informant furnished photostatic copies of a letter written by OTTO L. SCHRATTER dated June 3, 1943, to Mrs. MARIA SCHRATTER, Austinstrasse 103, St. Poelten Viehofen, Austria. It is believed that this letter is identical with the letter set out in the reference report of Special Agent HOWARD J. SEARS.

By letter dated June 13, 1945, the Los Angeles Field Division forwarded to the FBI Laboratory a photostatic copy of an envelope bearing the typewritten address, Mrs. MARIA SCHRATTER, 103 St. Poelten-Viehofen, Austria,

NY 100-74558

and also the accompanying letter written by OTTO L. SCHRATTER, as noted above. As a result of the examination of the typewritten specimens, the Laboratory advised that the specimens were prepared with material contained in file of writings pertaining to national security without effecting an identification.

The Informant also furnished photostatic copies of various addresses and address books in this Subject's possession and the following are set out for information purposes. These were all addresses found either in Subject's address books or on various slips of paper in her possession.

Captain HOWARD L. KOMINSKY, #O-502983  
1257th AAP Base Unit  
Army Post Office 905  
NAFD - ATC, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

Private DONALD S. MENAKER, #33731238  
Battery C - 933, F. A. Bn.  
Army Post Office 758  
c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

T/4 MAX STRIAR, #31449971  
Troop A - 117th Cavalry  
Army Post Office 757, c/o Postmaster  
New York, New York

Lieutenant Colonel JAMES STEWART  
No address

Corporal HENRY (HANK) SMALL  
Burnett Hill Road  
Livingston, New Jersey

CHARLOTTE JONES  
746 St. Nicholas Avenue  
New York City

PHIL and BILL and JOHN KILBY  
Golding Road  
Bedford

Lieutenant NORMAN JOHNSON  
Battery C, 434 AAA Bn  
AP 464 - United States Army

NY 100-74558

DOLLY and JOE JACOBSON  
134 Overdale Road, Greenhaven  
Rye, New York

INEZ and TIMME ROSENKRANTZ  
7 West 46th Street  
New York City

Dr. PELLITIER  
Midtown Hospital  
New York City

Mrs. ESTELLE and PORTIA NORVILLE  
210 Washington Street  
Beardstown, Illinois.

It was noted that also in the Subject's address book were several names of known Hollywood movie actors and actresses and other names apparently of soldiers stationed in England and some in the United States.

Confidential Informant T-2 advised that a thorough search of all of the Subject's possessions at the time of her departure failed to reflect any indication of courier activities on the part of this individual.

Mr. STEPHEN STIMPSON in the office of the USO CAMP SHOWS advised on August 27, 1945, that their office does not have a complete record of the Subject's itinerary abroad. She is presently in the European Theatre of Operations working out of the Paris Office of the USO. She is reported to be stationed there until September 15, 1945, and it is probable that she will return to the United States in September or October of 1945.

Confidential Informant T-3 advised that a report of November 9, 1939, reflects that ELLA LOGAN resided at the HOTEL MEURICE, 145 West 58th Street, New York City, and that her former residence was 2220 North Bernedo, Los Angeles, California. The Subject was described as an actress, believed single, and was residing at the above good class apartment hotel on and off for about two years. At that time she paid about \$200.00 a month for her apartment. The report indicated that she had lived on the Pacific Coast for some time, was originally from Scotland and has been engaged as an actress, singer and dancer for a number of years. She was described as well known and at that time she was in the musical show called "GEORGE WHITE'S SCANDALS" and had one of the leading roles. She was further described as having a good income and was guest artist

NY 100-74558

for several radio programs. Confidential Informant T-3 further said that she was married to FRED F. FINKLEHOFF of North Hollywood, California, approximately September 23, 1942, and that they were married in Greenwich, Connecticut. She was attended by Mrs. EDITH DELANEY FEINSTEIN of New York and LOUIS FINKLEHOFF, the bridegroom's brother. Other members in the marriage party were Miss MARTHA RAWLINGS of Miami, Florida, STEWART HASS, a student at the University of Virginia. The Informant further advised that the Subject had won a reputation through Scottish customs and came to the United States in 1932.

The Informant further advised that the Subject had an attorney account in care of Mrs. FRED F. FINKLEHOFF, c/o LELAND HAYWARD, 659 Madison Avenue, New York City. The report showed that accounts were at the IRVING TRUST COMPANY and the BANK OF AMERICA, Hollywood, California. It is to be noted here that inquiry at the GOTHAM HOTEL, New York City, reflected that the Subject's room at the hotel during her stay there in June of 1945 was rented by CHARLES RENTHAL of LELAND HAYWARD's office now at 444 Madison Avenue, New York City.

A review of the New York file and specifically the report of Special Agent HOWARD J. SEARS dated June 18, 1945, at Los Angeles, California, would indicate that the Subject's contact with the Soviet Consul was in regards to her acquaintance with Major NICHOLAI G. LEONIDOV, Representative, USSR, attached to the Russian Embassy, Rome, Italy. Due to the fact that Confidential Informants having access to the Subject's possessions, both in California and at the time of her departure for Europe, did not indicate courier activities on the part of this Subject, it is not believed necessary to conduct further investigation in this case, consequently, this case is being closed upon the authority of the Special Agent In Charge.

- C L O S E D -

NY 100-74558

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of Special Agent DWIGHT M. SMITH, JR., New York, dated September 26, 1945, are as follows:

- T-1 - Mr. H. C. PETERS, Room Clerk, HOTEL GOTHAM, New York City.
- T-2 - Concerns a search of the Subject's possession at the time of her departure for Europe. The search was made by Special Agent EDMUND V. KADELL and the writer with the assistance of JOSEPH J. BURTON, Deputy Collector, Customs Office, and his assistant, F. A. MURPHY.
- T-3 - CREDIT BUREAU OF GREATER NEW YORK, New York City, whose records were secured by Special Employee Investigator R. S. CLIFFORD.

A copy of this report is being designated for the Los Angeles Field Division due to their past investigation in this case and due to the fact that the Subject will probably reside in that Field Division following her return from Europe.

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

SRS:HGF

100-74558

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: October 24, 1945

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ELIA LOGAN, with aliases;  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
(Bureau File 100-339626)

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated October 16, 1945 regarding the above captioned matter.

Inquiry at Overseas Unit of USO Camp Shows, 8 West 40th Street, New York City ascertained that ELIA LOGAN was attached to the JACK BENNY unit which left the United States on June 14, 1945. This unit has returned to this country, but ELIA LOGAN, according to Mr. TURNER of the Overseas Division, is still in Europe. The War Department has stated that ELIA LOGAN will return on the first available ship after November 18, 1945. Miss LOGAN is reported to have commercial commitments which she must fulfill.

It is suggested that an attempt be made to ascertain through the War Department what ship Miss LOGAN will return on and date of her arrival so appropriate steps may be taken by the New York Office.

RECORDED 100-339626-23  
OCT 25 1945

50 DEC 5 1945

2



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

SI:ems

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 11/2/45

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD DIVISION

SUBJECT: ELLA LOGAN, with aliases;  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
(Bureau File 100-339626)*Handwritten signature: J. Edgar Hoover*

Reference is made to a letter dated October 24, 1945, addressed to the Director from the SAC, New York, requesting that the Bureau ascertain through the War Department on what ship and approximately on what date Ella Logan will return to the United States.

Through Major Thomas W. Simpson, Washington Liaison Branch, Military Intelligence Service, Special Agent Sidney Isaacs of this Office ascertained from Captain Frederick H. Kruger, Entertainment and Recreation Branch, Special Services Division, Army Service Forces, that Ella Logan had gone overseas under the auspices of that Branch and that they had heard a rumor, as yet unconfirmed, that Ella Logan had extended her tour. Captain Kruger stated that two cables have already been dispatched overseas in an effort to ascertain the exact situation. He stated that as soon as a reply is received, it will be furnished the Bureau through Major Simpson.

This matter will be followed in the Washington Field Division and maintained in a pending status until word is received from Captain Kruger.

RECORDED  
EX-33

56 JAN 17 1946

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 4, 1946

FROM : SAC, Washington, D. C.

SUBJECT: ELLA LOGAN  
SECURITY MATTER  
Bureau File No. 100-339626

Reference is made to my letter dated November 2, 1945, indicating that additional information concerning Ella Logan was being sought through Major T. W. Simpson, Washington Liaison Branch, Military Intelligence Service. Major Simpson has now stated that he has received information that Ella Logan remained in Europe following the departure of her USO unit for the purpose of visiting her family in Scotland.

By a cable dated December 5, 1945, delayed in transit, it was reported that Ella Logan and Frank Papile of USO Unit 672 were scheduled to leave Paris at 0100 December 9, 1945. Paris was to advise New York as to the plane number and estimated time of arrival. Additional information and verification of arrival may be secured at New York.

No additional inquiry is contemplated by the Washington Field Division, and this case is being considered closed in this field division.

SI:MGC  
100-17489

26 1946 7

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 9, 1946

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ELIA LOGAN, with aliases;  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
(Bureau File 100-339626)

Reference is made to letter from the New York Field Division to the Bureau dated October 24, 1945 regarding the above captioned matter.

JOHN CLARK TURNER of the Overseas Division of USO Camp Shows with offices at 8 West 40th Street, New York City, advised that ELIA LOGAN returned to the United States via ATC plane at New York City on December 12, 1945.

Mr. TURNER stated that ELIA LOGAN secured her own passage from France to Scotland on November 27, 1945, allegedly to visit her parents. She returned to France shortly thereafter and through her own efforts secured air passage via Army Transport Command to New York City. Mr. TURNER stated that the USO had no information regarding LOGAN's itinerary and had learned of her return to this country through theatrical contacts. Mr. TURNER advised that the subject's husband FRED T. FINKLEHOFF had made numerous inquiries during November of 1945 regarding his wife's whereabouts. Mr. TURNER advised that ELIA LOGAN is believed to be presently residing with her husband at 519 West Elm Drive, Beverly Hills, California.

In view of the fact that past investigation has failed to indicate courier activities on the part of this subject, it is believed that no further investigation is justified, consequently this case is being closed.

cc Los Angeles (100-23081)

RRG:HGF  
100-74558RECORDED  
&  
INDEXED

SE 37

100-339626-26  
JAN 11 1946

EX-19

60 JAN 18 1946

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICELaboratory Work SheetRECORDED 6/21/45  
fw 8:10 PMRe: ELLA LOGAN, aka  
Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
INTERNAL SECURITY - RFile # 100-339626-12  
Lab. # D-38793 EG

Examination requested by: Los Angeles (100-23081)

Date of reference communication: let 6/13/45

Date received: 6/16/45

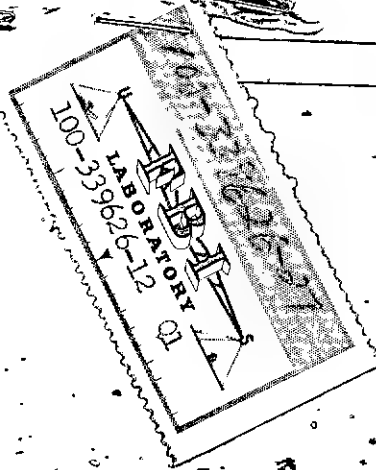
Examination requested: Doc

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Slayton

Specimens submitted for examination

SPECIMEN	CHECK#	AMOUNT	DATE	PAYABLE TO	SIGNED BY	BANK
Q1						
One photostatic copy of envelope bearing typewritten address "Mrs. Maria Schratter Austinstrasse 103 St. Poelten-Viehofen Austria".						
Q2						
Photostatic copy of accompanying <del>letter</del> typewritten letter headed OTTO E. SCHRATTER, dated 3. Juni 1945, beginning "Liebste Mama, es ist fast zwei....." and ending "....und Kusse von uns allen" and signed Dein <u>Detting</u>						



Mrs. Maria Schratter  
Austinstrasse 103  
St. Poelten-Viehofen  
Austria

OTTO E. SCHRATTER

3. Juni 1945

Liebste Mama, es ist fast zwei Jahre her, seit wir zum letzten Mal von Dir hörten und meine letzten 2 Nachrichten, die ich durch das Rote Kreuz sandte sind ohne Antwort geblieben. Wir hoffen so sehr, dass Du die schreckliche Zeit gut überstanden hast, vor allem dass Du gesund bist und wir bald von Dir hören werden. Versuche vor allem, uns irgendwie eine Nachricht zukommen zu lassen, wie es Dir geht. Wir wollen, dass Du hieher kommst, so bald es nur möglich ist. Es ist schon fast sieben Jahre her, seit wir uns gesehen haben und soviel ist geschehen. Hoffentlich werden wir auch erfahren, was mit Papa geschehen ist.

Wir sind sehr glücklich hier und es tut uns nur leid, dass wir nicht viele Jahre früher herübergekommen sind. Peter ist ein grosser fescher Bub, ganz amerikanisch im Denken (er hat sogar seine Muttersprache vergessen) und auch stolz ein amerikanischer Bürger zu sein, das er vor einem Jahr zusammen mit uns wurde.

Vor ein paar Monaten habe ich einen kleinen Betrieb (chemische Putzerei) in Beverly Hills gekauft und versuche jetzt etwas daraus zu machen. Es ist halt doch besser selbstständig zu sein. Wenn man hier fleissig arbeitet geht alles gut.

Kay und Heini geht es ganz ausgezeichnet, die haben schon 3 Buben, 4 Jahre, 2 Jahre und 2 Monate alt und auch Else geht es gut. Sobald besserer Postverkehr ist, werden wir Dir ja ganz ausführlich berichten.

Hilde ist hier ganz gesund geworden. Seit ein paar Monaten arbeitet sie als Malerin in einer Keramikfabrik zusammen mit einer Menge berühmter Künstler.

Wir wohnen in einem sehr hübschen Haus in einem Vorort von Los Angeles. Du kennst ja unsere Vorliebe für das Landleben.

Ich hoffe so sehr, dass Dich dieser Brief erreicht und wir bald öfter und ausführlicher schreiben können. Setze nur alles Menschenmögliche daran mit uns in Verbindung zu kommen.

Herzlichste Grüsse und Küsse von uns allen

*Dein Otto*

13229 Chandler Blvd.  
Van Nuys, California

REPORT  
of the



EWIS:FEW

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
WASHINGTON D. C.

July 2, 1945

To: SAC, Los Angeles

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on June 16, 1945.

*J. Edgar Hoover*  
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Re: ELLA LOGAN, also known as  
Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

YOUR FILE NO. 100-23081  
FBI FILE NO. 100-339626 -12  
LAB. NO. D-38793 EG  
CR-9230 EY

Examination requested by: Los Angeles

Reference: Letter June 13, 1945

Examination requested: Document - Cryptographic

Specimens:

- Qc1 One photostatic copy of envelope bearing typewritten address "Mrs. Maria Schratter Austinstrasse 103 St. Poelten-Viehofen Austria".
- Qc2 Photostatic copy of accompanying typewritten letter headed OTTO E. SCHRATTER, dated 3. Juni 1945, beginning: "Liebste Mama, es ist fast zwei....." and ending "...und Kusse von uns allen" and signed "Dein Detting".

RESULT OF EXAMINATION:

The typewriting on the specimens listed above, Qc1 and Qc2, was compared with material contained in the File of Writings pertaining to National Security without effecting an identification. Unless advised to the contrary a photographic copy of this typewriting will not be added to the file at this time.

The instant specimens have been examined for the presence of code or cipher messages, but none was disclosed. Specimen Qc2 is a personal letter telling of the writer's life in this country. The translation from the German as given in the cover letter submitting this material for examination was found to be adequate.

Specimens Qc1 and Qc2 are being retained in the files of the Laboratory.  
2-Los Angeles  
2-New York  
1-Laboratory

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

L40

RECORDED 6/21/45  
fw 8:10 PM

Laboratory Work Sheet

41 D  
6/22  
[signature]

Re: ELLA LOGAN, aka  
Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

File # 100-339626-12  
Lab. # D-38793 EG *mlp*

Examination requested by: Los Angeles (100-23081)

Date of reference communication: let 6/13/45

Date received: 6/16/45

Examination requested: Doc, *crypt*

Result of Examination:

Examination by: Slayton

*no ident NSF*  
*6-29-45*

Specimens submitted for examination

SPECIMEN CHECK# AMOUNT DATE PAYABLE TO SIGNED BY BANK

*Pc1*  
One photostatic copy of envelope bearing typewritten address "Mrs. Maria Schratter  
Austinstrasse 103 St. Poelten-Viehofen Austria".

*Pc2*  
Photostatic copy of accompanying ~~letter~~ typewritten letter headed OTTO E. SCHRATTER,  
dated 3. Juni 1945, beginning "Liebste Mama, es ist fast zwei....." and ending  
"....und Kusse von uns allen" and signed Dein Detting

*Ans 7/2/45  
EGW  
[signature]*



ES  
 IST  
 FAST  
 ZWEI  
 JAHRE  
 HER  
 SEIT  
 WIR  
 ZUM  
 LETZTEN  
 MAL  
 VON  
 DIR  
 HORTEN  
 UND  
 MEINE  
 LETZTEN  
 2  
 NACHRICHTEN  
 DIE  
 ICH  
 DURCH  
 DAS  
 ROTE  
 KREUZ  
 SANDTE  
 SIND  
 OHNE  
 ANTWORT  
 GEBLIEBEN  
 WIR  
 HOFFEN  
 SO  
 SEHR  
 DASS  
 DU  
 DIE  
 CHRECKLICHE

WIR  
 SIND  
 SEHR  
 GLÜCKLICH  
 HIER  
 UND  
 ES  
 TUT  
 UNS  
 NUR  
 LEID  
 DASS  
 WIR  
 NICHT  
 VIELE  
 JAHRE  
 FRÜHER  
 HERUBER-  
 SIND  
 PETER  
 IST  
 EIN  
 GROSSE  
 FESCHER  
 BUB  
 GANZ  
 AMERIKANISCH  
 IM  
 DENKEN  
 ER  
 HAT  
 SOGAR  
 SEINE  
 MUTTERSPRACHE  
 VERGESSEN  
 UND  
 AUCH  
 SEIN  
 STOLZ

VOR  
 EIN  
 PAAR  
 MONATEN  
 HABE  
 ICH  
 EINEN  
 KLEINEN  
 BETRIEB  
 CHEMISCHE  
 PUTZEREI  
 IN  
 BEVERLY  
 HILLS  
 GEKAUFT  
 UND  
 VERSUCHE  
 JETZT  
 ETWAS  
 DARAUSS  
 ZU  
 MACHEN  
 ES  
 IST  
 HALT  
 DOCH  
 BESSER  
 SELBSTST  
 ZU  
 SEIN  
 WENN  
 MAN  
 HIER  
 FELEISSIG  
 ARBEITET  
 GEHT  
 ALLES  
 GUT

ES  
IST  
FAST  
ZWEI  
JAHRE  
HER  
SEIT  
WIR  
ZUM  
LETZTEN  
MAL  
VON  
DIR  
HORTEN  
UND  
MEINE  
LETZTEN

2  
NACHRICHTEN  
DIE  
ICH  
DURCH  
DAS  
ROTE  
KREUZ  
SANDTE  
SIND  
OHNE  
ANTWORT  
GEBLIEBEN  
WIR  
HOFFEN  
SO  
SEHR  
DASS  
DU  
DIE  
SCHRECKLICHE

WIR  
SIND  
SEHR  
GLÜCKLICH  
HIER  
UND  
ES  
TUT  
UNS  
NUR  
LEID  
DASS  
WIR  
NICHT  
VIELE  
JAHRE  
FRÜHER  
HERÜBER-  
SIND  
PETER  
IST  
EIN  
GRÖßER  
FESCHER  
BUB  
GANZ  
AMERIKANISCH  
IM  
DENKEN  
ER  
HAT  
SOGAR  
SEINE  
MUTTERSPRACHE  
VERGESSEN  
UND  
AUCH  
STOLZ

VOR  
EIN  
PAAR  
MONATEN  
HABE  
ICH  
EINEN  
KLEINEN  
BETRIEB  
CHEMISCHE  
PUTZEREI  
IN  
BEVERLY  
HILLS  
GEKAUFT  
UND  
VERSUCHT  
JETZT  
ETWAS  
DARAUSS  
ZU  
MACHEN  
ES  
IST  
HALT  
DOCH  
BESSER  
SELBSTST  
ZU  
SEIN  
WENN  
MAN  
HIER  
FLEISSIG  
ARBEITET  
GEHT  
ALLES  
GUT

KAY  
UND  
HEINI  
GEHT  
ES  
GANZ  
AUSGEZEI-

DIE  
HABEN  
SCHON  
3  
BUCHEN

4  
JAHRE

2  
JAHRE

UND

2

MONATE

ALT

UND

AUCH

ELSE

GEHT

ES

GUT

SO BALD

DESSENER

POSTVERK

IST

WERDEN

WIR

DIE

JA

GANZ

AUSFUHRLI

BERICHTEN

ILDE

ST

HIER

GANZ

GESUND

GEWORDEN

SEIT

EIN

PAAR

MONATEN

ARBEITET

SIE

ALS

MALERIN

IN

EINER

KERAMIK

ZUSAMMEN

MIT

EINER

MENGE

BERUHMTER

KUNSTLER

WIR

WOHNEN

IN

EINEM

SEHR

HABSCHEN

HAUS

IN

EINEM

VORORT

VON

LOS

ANGELES

DU

KENNST

JA

UNSERE

CH

SO FE

SO

SEHR

DASS

DICH

DIESER

BRIEF

ERREICHT

UND

WIR

BALD

DATER

UND

AUSFUHR L

SCHREIBEN

KONNEN

SETZE

NUR

ALLES

MENSCHEN

DARAN

MIT

UNS

IN

VERBINDUNG

ZU

KOMMEN

Lutke Mama es ist fast zwei Jahre her, seit wir zum letzten Mal von dir von dir hasten und meine Beten 2 nachwuchs die ich durch des Rote Kreny sandte dass Rote Kreny sandte sind ohne Antwortgeblieben. Wir hoffen so sehr dass du die sind ohne Antwort geblieben wir hoffen so sehr, dass du die schreckliche Zeit gut überstehst

glücklich und es tut uns nur leid, dass wir nicht viele Jahre früher kommen dass wir nicht viele Jahre früher kommen sind. Peter ist ein grosser fischer. Bei ganz gekommen sind Peter ist ein grosser fischer. Bei ganz amerikanisch in denken. Er hat noch ein grossen fischer Bei ganz amerikanisch in denken. Er hat noch

ein paar Monaten habe ich einen kleinen Betrieb (chemische Putzerei) in Rev. Hills gekauft und Monaten habe ich einen kleinen Betrieb (chemische Putzerei) in Rev. Hills gekauft und gekauft und versuche jetzt etwas daraus zu machen. Es ist halt doch besser selbst zu es ist halt doch besser selbst zu machen. Wenn man hier fleissig arbeitet geht alles

Kay und Mein geht es ganz ausserordentlich, die haben schon 3 Buben 4 Jahre ganz ausserordentlich. Helen schon 3 Buben, 4 Jahre 2 Jahre und 2 Monate. Bill hat schon 3 Buben 4 Jahre und 2 Monate alt und alt und auch das geht es gut. Solche besseren Fortschritte ist werden wir dir

100 339 60 - 42

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

L-40

RECEIVED

Laboratory Work Sheet

RECORDED 6/21/45  
fw 8:10 PM

JUN 29 2 21 PM '45

TECHNICAL LABORATORY  
CRYPTOGRAPHIC SECTION

Re: ELLA LOGAN, aka  
Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

File #  
Lab. # 100-339626-12  
D-38793 EG  
CR-9230

Examination requested by: Los Angeles (100-23081)

Date of reference communication: let 6/13/45

Date received: 6/16/45

Examination requested: Doc - crypt

Result of Examination:

Examination by:

NO CODE OR CIPHER DISCLOSED.

Slayton

*W. Wood*

Specimens submitted for examination

C72

XX

- Q1 One photostatic copy of envelope bearing typewritten address "Mrs. Maria Schratter  
Austinstrasse 103 St. Poelten-Viehofen Austria".
- Q2 Photostatic copy of accompanying ~~letter~~ typewritten letter headed OTTO E. SCHRATTER,  
dated 3. Juni 1945, beginning "Liebste Mama, es ist fast zwei....." and ending  
"....und Kusse von uns allen" and signed Dein Oetting

THE INSTANT SPECIMENS HAVE BEEN EXAMINED FOR THE PRESENCE  
OF CODE OR CIPHER MESSAGES, BUT NONE WAS DISCLOSED. SPECIMEN  
Q2 IS A PERSONAL LETTER TELLING OF THE WRITER'S LIFE IN THIS  
COUNTRY. THE TRANSLATION FROM THE GERMAN AS GIVEN IN THE COVER  
LETTER WAS FOUND TO BE ADEQUATE.

*REC'd  
RHM*

*as 7/2/45  
EW:ifw*



**Ella Logan and Albert Sharpe:** They're featured in "Finian's Rainbow" with new musical being presented by Lee Sablman and William Rastell at the 46th St. Theatre. The book and lyrics are by E. Y. Harburg and Fred Saldy. The music score is by Burton Lane.

RECORDED  
INDEXED

43

This is a clipping from Page 14 of the

NOT RECORDED  
80 MAR 26 1947

THE WORKER

87-58

Date 1-26-47

clipped at the Seat of Government

FILED  
11

409  
61 MAR 31 1947

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : R. T. HARBO *RTH*

DATE: 9-13-47

FROM : H. B. LONG

SUBJECT: Ella Logan, also known as  
Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
Internal Security - R  
BUREAU FILE 100-339626

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

There is attached the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure behind the main file in the Records Section.

Attachment

100-339626-27

50 SEP 24 1947

ENCLOSURE BEHIND FILE

*7 RTH*

State House Farm H.C.  
Springtown Bucks Count  
PA.  
phone. Springtown 2851.

Dec. 19<sup>th</sup> 1949.

77296

Dear Mr. John. — Ellen Logan

I need your advice — my husband Fred F. Finklehoff phoned me from California last night and told me not to get upset, but, my name was on a list that was given out by a Mr. John I. Huber. Saying that I was a Red, I was so furious that I said — (Thinking Huber was a newspaper man) that I was going to drop you, or Clyde, a note asking you to investigate him, then when I picked up the N.Y. Mirror I find out that he is a G. Man. Now Mr. John the nearest I ever get to the teachings of Marx, is when I tune into the "Elgin American" show to listen to "Groucho" so I would appreciate it very much if you would, send one of your men to see me. My farmer tells me that my name



was also mentioned on the air, so you can well  
imagine how upset I am.

my Farm is near the following Cities —

Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown + Philadelphia

So if one of your men would drop by it would  
ease my mind a great deal. —

I hope that you and Clyde "T." are in good  
health, and that I hear from you soon, till  
then Fondest Regards from,

  
S. Logan,

100-339626-28

2

RD-10

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Room 4236 1949

Phone 645  
646

___ Director	___ Mr. McGuire
___ Mr. Tolson	___ Mr. Mohr
___ Mr. Clegg	___ Mr. Nease
___ Mr. Glavin	___ Mr. Renneberger
___ Mr. Harbo	___ Mr. Rogers
___ Mr. Ladd	___ Mr. Waikart
___ Mr. Nichols	___ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Records Section
___ Mr. Tracy	___ Personnel Files
___ Mr. Rosen	___ Mail Room
___ Mr. Cartwright	___ Supply Room
___ Miss Gandy	___ Tours
___ Mr. Fletcher	___ Reading Room-5531
___ Mr. Hince	___ <del>INDEX Service Unit</del>
___ Mr. Leonard	___ Room <u>4236</u>

CRIME RECORDS SECTION

___ Mr. Jones	___ Call Me
___ Mr. Ash	___ See Me
___ Mr. Carroll	___ APPROPRIATE ACTION
___ Mr. Christiansen	___ NOTE & RETURN
___ Mr. Crosby	___ SERIALIZE & RETURN
___ Mr. Kemper	___ Miss Brown
___ Mr. Newman	___ Mr. Emond
___ Mr. Stukenbroeker	___ Miss Murtha
___ Mr. Suttler	___ Miss Taylor
___ Mr. Youngblood	___ Room 4240
___ Miss Wawrejko	___ Miss _____

This piece of mail is obviously lost inasmuch as Mr. Nichols wrote an acknowledgment. There was also a pink memo on it.

100-339626

Crime Records Section

C  
O  
P  
Y

Station House Farm  
Springtown, Bucks County  
Pa.

phones Springtown 2851

Dec. 19th 1949.

Dear Mr\_ John\_ -

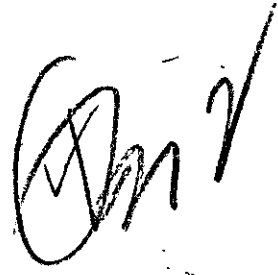
I need your advice -- my Husband Fred F. Finklehoffe phoned me from California last night and told me not to get upset, but, my name was on a list that was given out by a Mr\_ John J. Huber saying that I was a Red, I was so furious that I said - (thinking Huber was a newspaper man) that I was going to drop you, or Clyde, a note asking you to investigate him, then when I picked up the N.Y. Mirror I find out that he is a GanMan!!

Now Mr\_ John the nearest I ever get to the teachings of Marx, is when I tune into the "Elgin American" Show to listen to "Groucho" so I would appreciate it very much if you would send one of your men around to see me, my Farmer tells me that my name was also mentioned on the air, so you can well imagine how upset I am.

My Farm is near the following Cities -  
Easton, Bethlehem, Allentown & Philadelphia, So if one of your men would drop by it would ease my mind a great deal. -

I hope that you and Clyde "T". are in good health, and that I hear from you soon, till then Fondest Regards from

/S/ Ella Logan.



02 11  
FEB 3 20 20  
20

January 11, 1950

RECORDED - 104

100 - 33 9626 - 29

Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
Station House Farm  
Springtown, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Finklehoffe:

Upon returning to the city, I received  
your letter of December 19.

I am sure you will appreciate that this  
Bureau can have no control over a witness before  
a Congressional Committee, nor can we be responsible  
for testimony of the type referred to in your letter,  
particularly when the individual is not now connected  
with the FBI.

I am arranging to have an Agent call upon  
you in the near future and we will be most happy,  
of course, to make a matter of record of anything  
you desire to say.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

CT:DSS

CC: New York, with copy of incoming.

CC: Philadelphia, with copy of incoming.

Ella Logan, the wife of Fred Finklehoffe, is the musical  
comedy singer. Finklehoffe is a well-known playwright  
and motion picture writer.

It is desired that a competent Agent call upon  
Mrs. Finklehoffe and receive any information she desires  
to impart as reflected by her letter of December 19, a copy  
of which is attached.

Mr. Tolson  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Gurnea  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Mohr  
Mr. Pennington  
Mr. Quinn Tamm  
Tele. Room  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

JAN 11 5 56 PM '50

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECORDED

FOIA b 7 - D

Philadelphia 100-339626-29  
FBI  
JAN 11 1950  
U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
RECORDED

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

JAN 11 1950

TELETYPE

WASHINGTON 5 FROM PHILADELPHIA 1-11-50 429 PM

DIRECTOR

ELLA LOGAN, AKA, MRS. FRED FINKLEHOFF, SM-C.

ELLA LOGAN, ACTRESS, TELEPHONED THIS OFFICE TODAY ADVISING SHE IS  
PERSONAL ACQUAINTANCE OF DIRECTOR AND THAT TWO WEEKS AGO SHE WROTE  
BUREAU REQUESTING INTERVIEW BY AGENT. SHE STATED HER NAME APPEARED  
ON LIST OF MOVIE PERSONS WHO WERE COMMUNIST SYMPATHIZERS AND THAT SHE  
HAD INFO TO FURNISH. BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE NATURE OF LOGAN-S  
COMPLAINT SO THAT PROPER INTERVIEW MAY BE MADE PROMPTLY.

BOARDMAN

ACK AND DISC

END

PH R 5 WA

M

RECORDED - 104

FEB 6 1950

104-339626-29  
Why the delay?

Memo to Director  
1/17/50  
BR

cc: Mr. [unclear]

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia

DATE: January 24, 1950

SUBJECT: ELLA LOGAN  
aka Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
SECURITY MATTER - C

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Re Bulet to subject dated January 11, 1950 directing Philadelphia to interview Miss LOGAN.

Referenced letter advised that the subject was named by JOHN J. HUBER, once an FBI Confidential Informant, as a Communist Party sympathizer in testimony before the Senate Judiciary Committee.

On January 12, 1950, Miss ELLA LOGAN was interviewed, at which time she advised that the allegation that she was a Communist sympathizer from 1942 to 1946 was false inasmuch as she had spent the period from 1943 to 1946 in Italy, Austria, and Germany entertaining American Servicemen. She stated that she spent more time overseas than any other USO performer, returning to the United States for a short rest only once.

In further refutation of the allegation, she exhibited an Apostolic Benediction from Pope Pius XII, obtained in Italy, where she served with the Fifth Army. She had cancelled three audiences with the Pope because of the demand for entertaining the troops, and the Pope, as a gesture of understanding, had it prepared for her. She also exhibited a letter and telegram from Prince PHILLIP of England, indicating a close acquaintance.

She stated that she had used the names of WALTER WINCHELL, JAMES FARLEY, J. EDGAR HOOVER, and CLYDE TOLSON as references for the USO.

She stated that on one occasion, following the Spanish Civil War, she had been approached by an unknown man and asked for a cash contribution for hospital relief for the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade. She felt the cause worthy and gave the man a \$50 check made out to the VALB to insure that the money be properly handled. She stated that she had known several members of the VALB but that none of them were known to her to be Communist Party members.

She had once contributed to the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee for the specific purpose of helping children out of Fascist countries but was not aware of its Communist Party support.

GBP:mbq  
100-35124

RECORDED - 104

INDEXED - 104

FEB 8 1950

31

FIVE

8097 DESTROYED  
JAN 21 1960 R581

FEB 14 1950

January 24, 1950

Although she saw some merit in HENRY WALLACE's ideas, she refused to accept any appearances for the Third Party, and disapproved of the movement when she saw that WALLACE's supporters included what she described as "Cadillac Communists; well to do members in theory who never practiced that theory."

Miss LOGAN described herself as extremely anti-Fascist, but added that she was opposed to any type of Dictatorship, whether it be totalitarian or proletarian. She was opposed to Communism and the policies of the U. S. S. R., and had never been a member of the Communist Party or knowingly attended any function sponsored by the Communist Party or dominated by Communist Party members.

She stated, however, that during the War she had visited Mr. KISSLOV (phonetic) at the U. S. S. R. Consulate, New York City, to obtain permission to entertain Red Army soldiers in return for entertainment furnished by Red Army entertainers in Italy. After the War, she returned to the New York City Consulate to find out why the permission had not been granted and met Mr. LOMOKIN, who later attended a performance of her show, "Finian's Rainbow", and who introduced her to ANDREI GROMYKO. She was invited to a reception-concert of the music of Shostakovitch at the Russian Consulate and there met OLGA LOMOKIN, whom she invited to tea.

To arrange this tea, Mrs. LOMOKIN later telephoned her, not from the Consulate, but from a telephone booth, and they met at the corner of 58th Street and Fifth Avenue rather than at the Consulate. OLGA LOMOKIN exhibited signs of fear and worry during the meeting, and constantly watched for any signs of a surveillance by the UKVD.

Miss LOGAN indicated that the contacts mentioned above were for business or social reasons only.

Miss LOGAN disapproved of attempts by the United States to cement good relations with Yugoslavia since she believed that Yugoslavia remained a Communist, and, therefore, a dangerous government.

She also related her experiences in aiding the Federal Bureau of Investigation in San Francisco by obtaining information regarding German sympathizers prior to this country's entering into World War II.

2

January 24, 1950

She has known PAUL ROBESON since 1930, and stated that ROBESON, starting out with better opportunities than most white men have, had become bitter for personal reasons rather than because of the problems facing all negro people. She cited two examples. First, ROBESON refused to lend his name and aid to a non-segregated housing project in Cleveland, a solution to the negro housing problem proposed by his close friend NORMAN K. WINSTON, an architect. Second, Miss LOGAN herself forcibly brought ROBESON into a racial problem among the cast of "Finian's Rainbow" and asked ROBESON to intercede with his friends, the producers of the show, but ROBESON refused to do so. Miss LOGAN stated she was furious when ROBESON stated that the United States negro would fight with Russia against the United States.

Miss LOGAN characterized Mrs. LILA ROGERS and the late SAM WOOD as members of a reactionary Hollywood clique who looked upon any charitable deed, such as financial aid to distressed actors, as Communist inspired, and who had done much to give Hollywood a poor political reputation.

Miss LOGAN described herself as a liberal and a progressive but deplored the misuse of these terms through their association with Third Party and Communist Party front organizations.

No further action is contemplated by the Philadelphia Office and this case is considered closed.

I fear she has brought  
upon herself any pro-  
communist stigma  
by her certainly indiscreet  
actions.

H,



## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

FROM : L. B. NICHOLS

SUBJECT: ELLA LOGAN  
Bureau file No. 100-339626

DATE: Sept. 28, 1950

Tolson ☒

Ladd ☒

Clegg ☒

Glavin ☒

Nichols ☒

Rosen ☒

Tracy ☒

Harbo ☒

Belmont ☒

Mohr ☒

Tele. Room ☒

Nease ☒

Gandy ☒

For record purposes, Mr. Fred Walsh, partner of Dutch Ellis' called Mr. McGuire from New York, Murray Hill 3-4900, advising that Dutch was on the West Coast and had asked Walsh to get in touch with me or Mr. McGuire as his advertising firm had Ella Logan under contract. You will recall she is the prominent radio singer. They had noted that the book *Red Channels* had made reference to Ella Logan and they were fearful of becoming involved with another Jean Muir situation in the event she was assigned to some prominent radio program with the result of having public protest made in view of her alleged Communist background.

Mr. McGuire told Mr. Walsh that it was most difficult for us to say anything concerning Ella Logan and he certainly must appreciate the confidential nature of our files. Walsh stated he realized that and he did not want us to do anything that would be out of line but he did hope that we could give him some guidance. McGuire told him that there was nothing we could do; that *Red Channels*, of course, had indicated that she had been mixed up with some organizations having Communistic background but that on the other hand Miss Logan has stated, we understand, that she had never been a Communist nor had she ever been a Communist sympathizer and it was Mr. McGuire's observation that Walsh and his organization have undoubtedly talked to Miss Logan and were in as good a position as we are, if not better, to determine just where she stands.

Mr. Walsh stated he appreciated this and frankly he would rather err on the side of caution and it was his feeling at the moment that they would not use Ella Logan.

JJM:LH

RECEIVED

INDEXED - 117  
RECORDED - 117100-339626-31  
OCT 1 1950  
51 MAR 2 1951

52 OCT 10 1950

52 OCT 12 1950

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: 11-28-50

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: MISS ELLA LOGAN FINKLEHOFF

Tolson  
Ladd  
Clegg  
Glavin  
Nichols  
Rosen  
Tracy  
Harbo  
Belmont  
Mohr  
Tele. Room  
Nease  
Gandy

By reference from the Director's Office today at 9:30 A. M., Agent Suttler talked telephonically to Miss Ella Logan who was calling from her farm at Springtown, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.

She stated she was a friend of Mr. Hoover and Mr. Tolson; that her California address was 12812 Sunset Boulevard, West Los Angeles 49, California.

Miss Logan further stated that on December 19, 1949, she wrote a letter to Mr. Hoover concerning two references made to her in a book titled "The Red Channels" by a man named Huber (phonetic) who was a contributor to the book. She did not recall his complete name. She stated Mr. Hoover answered her letter on January 11, 1950, and indicated to her that the FBI had no jurisdiction in the matter mentioned in her referenced letter.

Miss Logan stated that she asked Mr. Hoover to have an Agent call on her to get the full details and that the Agent did call but nothing could be done about the situation.

She stated that recently a man named Patrick Murphy Malin, who is connected with the American Civil Liberties Union, 170 Fifth Avenue, New York, wrote her a letter and stated he would like to have a representative of the Union named Merle Miller call on her in the near future to discuss the references made to her in this book "The Red Channels."

Miss Logan stated that although Mr. Merle Miller did not call on her in person a representative of his came out to see her and during the course of the conversation she mentioned her correspondence with Mr. Hoover on this matter and this man, whose name she could not recall, asked to see the correspondence. She thereupon showed it to him. She stated the man then asked if she would turn Mr. Hoover's letter over to him as it would help the American Civil Liberties Union in the work they were doing on this book. She stated she wanted to know if Mr. Hoover would consent to her turning the letter over to this man.

COPY DESTROYED

JAN 21 1960 1581

BMS:eh

61 DEC 15 1950

RECORDED - 90  
INDEXED - 90

100-339626-32

Memorandum to Mr. Nichols

November 28, 1950

Agent Suttler advised Miss Logan that he felt Mr. Hoover should pass on this matter himself and suggested that she write a letter to Mr. Hoover and send along the American Civil Liberties Union letter for his perusal. She was also told that it was not felt advisable for her to give Mr. Hoover's letter to the representative of the American Civil Liberties Union as that letter had been directed to her personally by the Director for her own information and she agreed wholeheartedly on this.

Miss Logan stated she thought the request was rather unusual and refused to give the representative the letter until she could receive some word from Mr. Hoover on the matter. She stated she would send the American Civil Liberties Union letter to Mr. Hoover with a note and suggested that the reply be directed to her at her home at Springtown, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, as she did not intend to return to California for some time, or, at least, until she had completed a series of radio shows in New York.

Miss Logan requested Agent Suttler to be sure to say "hello" to Mr. Tolson and that she would say "hello" to Mr. Hoover with a personal note marked for his "personal attention" within the next day or two.

The files are being checked on Miss Logan at the present time.

ADDENDUM:

The Director has requested to see the Bureau's letter to Ella Logan dated January 11, 1950. This letter is in file 100-339626-29. The file is attached. Ella Logan is Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe to whom letter January 11, 1950, addressed.

Attachment

*Copy is attached*  
*WBN*  
*✓*

January 11, 1950

COPY

COPY

COPY

Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
Station House Farm  
Springtown, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Finklehoffe:

Upon returning to the city, I received  
your letter of December 19.

I am sure you will appreciate that this  
Bureau can have no control over a witness before  
a Congressional Committee, nor can we be responsible  
for testimony of the type referred to in your letter,  
particularly when the individual is not now connected  
with the FBI.

I am arranging to have an Agent call upon  
you in the near future and we will be most happy,  
of course, to make a matter of record of anything  
you desire to say.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

CT:DSS

FOIA b 7 - D

On the yellow the following data was typed:

CC: New York, with copy of incoming.

CC: Philadelphia, with copy of incoming.

Ella Logan, the wife of Fred Finklehoffe, is the musical  
comedy singer. Finklehoffe is a well-known playwright and  
motion picture writer.

It is desired that a competent Agent call upon Mrs. Finklehoffe  
and receive any information she desires to impart as reflected  
by her letter of December 19, a copy of which is attached.

COPY DESTROYED  
JAN 21 1966 #381

Yellow in file  
(100-339626-29)

100-339626-32  
ENCLOSURE

December 2, 1950

RECORDED - 90

100-34626-33

77295

Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
Station House Farm  
Springtown, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Finklehoffe:

Thank you very much for your cordial letter of November 28, 1950, together with enclosure.

I fully appreciate the problem in connection with the letter you mentioned. I want to suggest that you use your own good judgment as to whether or not you should turn it over to the individual to whom you referred.

Mr. Clyde Tolson said he appreciated your remembering him and he asked me to extend his best wishes to you.

I am returning your enclosure to you at this time.

Sincerely yours,

DEC 2 7 16 PM '50

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

RECEIVED DIRECTOR

DEC 4 1950

Letter addressed to Ella Logan from the American Civil Liberties Union.

cc: New York, with copy of incoming and enclosure  
cc: Philadelphia, with copy of incoming and enclosure  
ATTENTION SAC's: Ella Logan, the wife of Fred F. Finklehoffe, is a musical comedy singer. Finklehoffe is a well-known playwright and motion picture writer.

NOTE: Previous correspondence has been sent and received on a confidential but not intimate basis.

that outgoing communications should be most circumspect.  
same per previous correspondence.

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Springtown 2851  
Station House Farm  
Springtown  
Bucks County, Penna.  
Nov 28th 1950

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Mr. John.

Phoned your office this morning but, alas, couldn't contact you or Mr. Tolson.

Am enclosing a letter that I received while appearing at the Strand Theatre in N. Y. I arranged to see one of the men from Mr. Miller's office and explained to him that up to now, thank God, I hadn't been on any blacklist, and as for being mentioned in "Red Channels," I have definite proof that I never appeared on the shows mentioned or gave them permission to use my name for the shows, I also mentioned that I had written to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover and asked him to send one of his men to see me -- So -- the man from Miller's office asked me if I had heard from Mr. Hoover, and I said -- yes, so he asked if they might see the letter that I received from you, so I have been stalling him by saying we would have to look for it.

These people -- The American Civil Liberties Union, seem very sincere, but I didn't think it wise to let them see your letter without asking your permission.

I wish to God I was over in Korea now, working for the men, but, General MacArthur says no female performers!! Bet if Mark W. Clark were there I would also be there.

My fondest regards to you and Clyde T. & God bless you.

Ella Logan

P. S. I spoke to your assistant this "mawnin," you can tell that lad ain't from Newark N. J.

Suttler  
talked  
to her

P. S. again. I will be on the Morton Downey T. V. show this Friday night.

COPY eff.

100-339626 - 33

phone Springtown 2851.  
STATION HOUSE FARM  
SPRINGTOWN  
Bucks County, Penna.

Nov 28 1950

Dear Mr. Tolson.

Phoned your office this morning  
but, alas, Couldn't contact you  
or Mr. Tolson. ELLA O'LOGAN

Am enclosing a letter that I  
received while appearing at the  
Strand Theatre in N.Y. I arranged  
to see one of the men from

Mr. Miller's office and explained  
to him that up to now, Thank  
God, I hadn't been on any black-  
list, and as for being mentioned in  
Red Channels, I have definite  
proof that I never appeared on

RECORDED - 90

100-339626-33

DEC 7 1950

Town  
mch  
20

2  
STATION HOUSE FARM  
SPRINGTOWN  
Bucks County, Penna.

the show's mentioned, or gave them permission to use my name for the shows, I also mentioned that I had written to Mr. J. Edgar Hoover and asked him to send one of his men to see me — So — the man from Miller's office asked me if I had heard from Mr. Hoover, and I said yes, so he asked if they might see the letter that I received from you, so I have been stalling him by saying we would have to look for it.

These people — The American Civil Liberties Union, seem very sincere, but I didn't think it wise to



DO-5

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Mr. Tolson ✓  
Mr. Ladd ✓  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Nichols ✓  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Belmont ✓  
Mr. Jones  
Mr. Mohr  
Tele. Room  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Holmes  
Miss Gandy

Date November 28, 1950 Time 9:30AM

Miss Ella Logan tele thru oper  
from Springtown, Pennsylvania

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

REMARKS

When advised of Mr. Hoover's and Mr. Tolson's absence from the office, Miss Logan consented to speak to an assistant, and after checking, was referred to Mr. Suttler in Mr. Nichols' Division.

Mr. Suttler advises that Miss Logan was calling to advise that she received a letter from the American Civil Liberties Union requesting that she be interviewed by a representative of that Union. Upon being interviewed, she advised the Union of her previous correspondence with the Director regarding the references to her in the book "Red Channels". It was requested that Miss Logan give the Union her letter from the Bureau, however Miss Logan declined. Mr. Suttler suggested that Miss Logan send the letter that she received from the Union to the Bureau and that she not comply with their request.

w/c handled  
Gandy to Nichols  
11-28-50  
Said we see our letter  
to her. d.

*[Handwritten signature]*

RECORDED - 90 100 - 339626 - 34

261  
61 DEC 15 1950

DEC 17 1950

*[Handwritten notes and signatures]*

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont *AK*

FROM : V. P. Keay *VPA*

SUBJECT: ELLA LOGAN, also known as  
Mrs. Fred Franklin Finklehoffe  
NAME CHECK REQUEST-G-2

DATE: March 21, 1951

FACTS:

A name check has been requested by G-2, Department of the Army, on Ella Logan in connection with a contemplated appearance by her on an Army recruiting program on television. A blind memorandum for G-2 is attached which sets forth information concerning Logan including her connection with the Council of Hollywood Guilds and Unions and the Committee for Equal Justice for Mrs. Recy Taylor. These organizations have not been cited by the Attorney General or any Legislative Committee but they have been reliably reported to have been Communist dominated. (100-333489-1; 100-341902-2)

Logan was interviewed at her request on January 2, 1950, and the results of this interview are also set forth in the attached memorandum; the letter from the Philadelphia Office dated January 24, 1950, reporting this interview bears the following notation by the Director: "I fear she has brought upon herself any pro-Communist stigma by her certainly indiscreet actions. H." (100-339626-30)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the attached memorandum be returned to the Liaison Section for transmittal to G-2.

Attachment

JHM:eb

RECORDED - 65

INDEXED - 65

MAR 26 1951

35

1 ENCLOSURE

60 MAR 29 1951

March 27, 1951

**SUMMARY**  
 ELLA LOGAN, also known as  
 Mrs. Fred Franklin Finklehoffe

BACKGROUND:

According to information which Ella Logan furnished to an acquaintance, she was born on March 6, 1913, in Glasgow, Scotland, and is a citizen of the United States. She was married on September 23, 1942, to Fred Franklin Finklehoffe, a playwright and screen writer. She has two children by a previous marriage. She has been engaged as a singer and actress on radio, television and stage, and during the last war she appeared in shows of the United Service Organizations. She toured Europe in connection with such shows. In 1950 her address was 12812 Sunset Boulevard, Los Angeles 49, California, and she also had a farm at Springtown, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. (100-203581-4584, page 46; 100-339626)

INVESTIGATION:

[REDACTED]

An investigation was conducted from May 21, 1945, to January 9, 1946, to determine whether she was a Russian courier agent but no specific evidence of such activity was developed.

[REDACTED]

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES:

A reliable confidential informant advised in June, 1944, that there was a meeting of the Council of Hollywood Guilds and Unions on June 28, 1944, at Hollywood, California. At this meeting Ella Logan led the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner." Later in the program she sang a "red herring" song of about six choruses. According to the informant, "This song told the story, by comparisons, of Fascism vs. Minorities and Communism; Hitler vs. Jews and Communism; Republicans vs. Democrats and Communism; the MPA (Motion Picture Alliance for the Preservation of American Ideals) vs. Labor and Communism; Americanism vs. anti-Britain and anti-Russian, making Communism the champion and savior of minorities, Jews, Democracy, labor, and the common man, etc."

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
 Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
 Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Original sent to G-2  
 L. H. MARTIN:eb

ENCLOSURE

Following this the Chairman of the meeting called for an official of the MPA to rise and answer these charges. There was no answer to this from the floor. It was reliably reported that the Council of Hollywood Guilds and Unions was formed on June 28, 1944, for the purpose of combating the Motion Picture Alliance for the Preservation of American Ideals, which latter organization had been created in February, 1944, for the purpose of combating Communism in motion picture studios. (100-333489-1, pgs. 54 to 58)

The March, 1945, issue of the magazine "Soviet Russia Today" on page 26 had a full-page article entitled "Ella Logan Meets the Red Army as Told to Natasha Takee." This article displayed a picture of Logan in an Army camp show uniform and in the article Logan stated that she had returned to New York after an overseas tour, during which she spent four months in Italy. She stated that the greatest and most enjoyable event during her stay in Italy was a concert given by Soviet artists. Regarding this performance the article stated, "There was Masha Predit, a tall, handsome woman, with a beautiful soprano voice whose idol is Marlon Anderson and Roman Vlad, pianist, and they presented a thrilling concert of classical Russian music." The article mentioned that during her visit she had dinner with Soviet officers and men and had been invited to meet the Soviet General and his staff. The article reported interviews that Logan had with American soldiers who expressed admiration for what the Russians had done on the Eastern front and also included a criticism of William L. White's book "Report on the Russians." Logan mentioned in the article that Mr. Ourayevsky, who had been with the Soviet Vice Consulate in New York before joining the Embassy staff in Italy, acted as interpreter on the occasions when she was with the Russians. The article expressed hope for the interchange of artists and shows between the United States and Russia, and concluded "and as for me after my trip to the Pacific area which I intend making soon, I only hope I can go to the Soviet Union to entertain the Red Army." The magazine "Soviet Russia Today" was cited as a Communist front by the House Committee on Un-American Activities in its report dated March 29, 1944, page 167, and its report dated June 25, 1942, page 21. (100-339626-16, page 8)

A pamphlet entitled "Equal Justice Under Law" was distributed in about May, 1945, by the Committee for Equal Justice for Mrs. Recy Taylor, which was also known as the Professional Committee to Procure Justice for Mrs. Recy Taylor. This pamphlet listed Miss Ella Logan, not further identified, as a member of the Committee of Sponsors. This committee was formed on November 25, 1944, as a result of a meeting called by the "Daily Worker", an East Coast Communist newspaper, in connection with Mrs. Recy Taylor, a Negro woman who reported she had been raped by six white youths on September 3, 1944, at Abbeville, Alabama. (100-341902-2, page 15)

On the reverse side of a letterhead of the American Committee for Yugoslav Relief in April, 1946, Ella Logan, not further identified, was listed as one of the National Committee Sponsors of that organization. The American Committee for Yugoslav Relief, Inc., has been cited as a Communist organization by the United States Attorney General. (100-7060-A; "Daily Worker", January 4, 1947)

An advertisement appeared in the "Daily Worker" on January 4, 1947, the heading of which read as follows:

"Belasco Theater  
44th Street East of Broadway  
Stars Entertain for Republican Spain  
Benefit  
Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade  
Sun. January 19, 8:30"

Ella Logan, not further identified, was listed as one of the entertainers on the program for this affair. The Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade has been cited as a Communist organization by the United States Attorney General. (100-338892-A; "Daily Worker", January 4, 1947)

The book "Red Channels", published by Counterattack, 55 West 42nd Street, New York 18, New York, in 1950 on page 102 lists Ella Logan, singer, radio, and stage. In connection with the organization, Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, it listed her as a performer at an "entertainment for Republican Spain, Belasco Theater, New York City, January 9, 1947," according to the "Daily Worker" of January 8, 1947. In connection with the organization, Stage for Action, this book also listed her as a sponsor of "Headline Cabaret" presented on April 20, 1947, and April 27, 1947, at "Old Knick" Music Hall, New York, according to the "Daily Worker" of April 16, 1947. Stage for Action was cited as a Communist front by the California Legislative Committee on Un-American Activities in its 1948 report, page 392. (Red Channels, page 102, 103, Bureau Library)

A picture of Ella Logan and Actor Sam Levene appeared in the "Daily Worker" on September 4, 1947. The write up underneath this picture read as follows: "Actor Sam Levene, star of 'Crossfire', canvasses songstress Ella Logan with a leaflet on the 'Progressive Counterattack' meeting to be held in Madison Square Garden, September 11, at which Henry A. Wallace will mark his anniversary of his break with the Truman administration by delivering a major foreign policy address. Paul Robeson, Aubrey Williams, Lena Horne, and Frank Kingdon will share the platform with Wallace. The meeting is sponsored by the Progressive Citizens of America." The Progressive Citizens of America has been cited by the California Legislative Committee on Un-American Activities in its reports of 1947, page 369, and 1948, page 354, as a "new and broader Communist front for the entire United States", formed in September, 1946, at the direction of "Communist steering committees" from the "Communist-dominated National Citizens Political Action Committee" and the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions. (100-338892-A; "Daily Worker", January 4, 1947)

8.

...

INTERVIEW:

By letter to this Bureau dated December 19, 1949, Ella Logan advised that she had been named as a Communist Party sympathizer in the testimony of John J. Huber before the Senate Judiciary Committee a short time previously and she requested an interview with an FBI Agent. She was interviewed on January 12, 1950, at which time she advised that the allegation that she was a Communist sympathizer from 1942 to 1946 was false inasmuch as she had spent the period from 1943 to 1946 in Italy, Austria and Germany entertaining American Servicemen. She stated that she spent more time overseas than any other U.S.O. performer, returning to the United States for a short rest only once.

In further refutation of the allegation, she exhibited an Apostolic Benediction from Pope Pius XII, obtained in Italy while she served with the Fifth Army. She had cancelled three audiences with the Pope because of the demand for entertaining the troops, and the Pope, as a gesture of understanding, had it prepared for her. She also exhibited a letter and telegram from Prince Phillip of England, indicating a close acquaintance.

She stated that on one occasion, following the Spanish Civil War, she had been approached by an unknown man and asked for a cash contribution for hospital relief for the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade. She felt the cause worthy and gave the man a \$50 check made out to the VALB to insure that the money be properly handled. She stated that she had known several members of the VALB but that none of them were known to her to be Communist Party members.

She had once contributed to the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee for the specific purpose of helping children out of Fascist countries but was not aware of its Communist Party support.

Although she saw some merit in Henry Wallace's ideas, she refused to accept any appearances for the Third Party, and disapproved of the movement when she saw that Wallace's supporters included what she described as "Cadillac Communists; well to do members in theory who never practiced that theory."

Miss Logan described herself as extremely anti-Fascist, but added that she was opposed to any type of Dictatorship, whether it be totalitarian or proletarian. She was opposed to Communism and the policies of the U. S. S. R., and had never been a member of the Communist Party or knowingly attended any function sponsored by the Communist Party or dominated by Communist Party members.

She stated, however, that during the War she had visited Mr. Kisslov (phonetic) at the U. S. S. R. Consulate, New York City, to obtain permission to entertain Red Army soldiers in return for entertainment furnished by Red Army entertainers in Italy. After the War, she returned to the New York City Consulate to find out why the permission had not been granted and met Mr. Lomokin, who later attended a performance of her show, "Finian's Rainbow", and who introduced her to Andrei Gromyko. She was invited to a reception-concert of the music of Shostakovitch at the Russian Consulate and there met Olga Lomokin, whom she invited to tea.

To arrange this tea, Mrs. Lomokin later telephoned her, not from the Consulate, but from a telephone booth, and they met at the corner of 58th Street and Fifth Avenue rather than at the Consulate. According to Miss Logan, Olga Lomokin exhibited signs of fear and worry during the meeting, and constantly watched for any signs of a surveillance by the NKVD.

Miss Logan indicated that the contacts mentioned above were for business or social reasons only.

Miss Logan disapproved of attempts by the United States to cement good relations with Yugoslavia since she believed that Yugoslavia remained a Communist government, and, therefore, a dangerous government.

She has known Paul Robeson since 1930, and stated that Robeson, starting out with better opportunities than most white men have, had become bitter for personal reasons rather than because of the problems facing all Negro people. She cited two examples. First, Robeson refused to lend his name and aid to a non-segregated housing project in Cleveland, a solution to the Negro housing problem proposed by his close friend, Norman K. Winston, an architect. Second, Miss Logan herself forcibly brought Robeson into a racial problem among the cast of "Finian's Rainbow" and asked Robeson to intercede with his friends, the producers of the show, but Robeson refused to do so. Miss Logan stated she was furious when Robeson stated that the United States Negro would fight with Russia against the United States.

Miss Logan characterized Mrs. Lela Rogers and the late Sam Wood as members of a reactionary Hollywood clique who looked upon any charitable deed, such as financial aid to distressed actors, as Communist inspired, and who had done much to give Hollywood a poor political reputation.

Miss Logan described herself as a liberal and a progressive but deplored the misuse of these terms through their association with Third Party and Communist Party front organizations.  
(100-339626-30)

Miss Logan did not further identify any of the individuals or organizations mentioned by her. The Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee has been cited by the United States Attorney General as a Communist organization. (100-339626-30)

The foregoing information is furnished to you as a result of a request for an FBI file check and is not to be considered as a clearance or nonclearance of the individual involved. It is for your confidential use only and is not to be disseminated outside of your agency.



RECORDED - 72

June 4, 1953

100-339626-36

Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
12812 Sunset Boulevard  
West Los Angeles 49, California

Dear Mrs. Finklehoffe:

I have received your cordial letter  
postmarked May 29, 1953.

While I would like to be of service, I  
do believe that the film plot you are considering  
would be concerned with the activities of the  
Immigration and Naturalization Service. You may  
desire, therefore, to communicate with the Commissioner,  
Immigration and Naturalization Service, United States  
Department of Justice, 19th and East Capitol Streets,  
Northeast, Washington 25, D. C., for any information  
he may be able to provide.

Mr. Tolson appreciates your kind regards.

MAILED 2

JUN 4 1953

COMM-FBI

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc - Los Angeles with copy of incoming

NOTE: Bufile 100-339626 reflects Ella Logan's married name  
as used above, and prior correspondence on a cordial but  
not intimate basis.

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Gearty \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

it is felt that outgoing communications should be most circum-  
spect. Bufiles also reflect that on 4-23-47 Richard Murphy  
and other personnel of 20th Century Fox visited Mr. Nichols'  
office to discuss a film. Nothing derogatory concerning  
Murphy indicated.

12812 Sunset Boulevard  
West Los Angeles 49, Calif

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
Mr. Egan	✓
Mr. Gurnea	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	
Mr. Sizoo	
Miss Gandy	

Dear "Mister John"

Just a line to ask you if you could have someone in your organization give me some information.

My Brother-in-law Richard Murphy is a very good screen writer with Fox Twentieth Century. Some of his films were "Boomerang," "Cry of the City," "Panic in the Streets," etc. I had mentioned to him that I heard that the Government had some planes that go to far out of the way places in the U. S. to pick up people who are to be deported and fly them to a port of embarkation and I said that it would make a wonderful film the whole story could take place in the cabin of the plane with each person telling why they are being deported. Dick said he thought it would make a helluva film, with a wealth of stuff to work with - a Red, a Dope peddler, a draft dodger, etc. I think a movie like this without Hollywood fanfare would be very powerful at this time -- so -- I hope I will hear from your Department on it.

~~DICK MURPHY~~ CALIF.

I hope that you are feeling fit these days and getting in trim for the hot weather. I am returning to New York in a couple of weeks and hope to have the pleasure of running into you if you should be in that fair city. My regards to Mister Tolson and God Bless you,

Says

Ella Logan /s/

COPY

COPY mpd

me  
ack 6-4-53  
me

A personal correspondence file is maintained in the Director's Office on Ella Logan

12812 Sunset Blvd.  
West Los Angeles 49.  
Calif.

Dear Mister John

Just a line to ask you if you  
could have someone in your  
organization give me some  
information.

My Brother-in-law Richard Murphy  
is a very good Screen writer with  
Fox Twentieth Century some of his  
films were Boomerang, Cry of the  
City, Panic in the Streets, ect.

I had mentioned to him that I  
heard that the Government had some  
planes that go to far out of the  
way places in the U.S. to pick up  
people who are to be deported and  
fly them to a port of embarkation<sup>(4)</sup>

AK

RECORDED - 72

INDEXED - 72

100-339626-36

JUN 12 1955


and I said that <sup>2</sup>it would make  
a wonderful film the whole story  
could take place in the cabin of  
the plane with each person telling  
why they are being deported.

Dick said he thought it would —  
make a helluva film, with a  
wealth of stuff to work with —  
a Red, a Dope peddler, a draft  
dodger, ect. I think a movie like  
this without Hollywood fanfare  
would be very powerful at this  
time — So — I hope  
I will hear from your Department  
on it.

I hope that you are feeling fit  
these days and getting in trim  
for the hot weather, I am  
returning to New York in a couple

of weeks hope I<sup>3</sup> have the pleasure  
of running into you if you  
should be in that fair city.  
my regards to mister Tolson  
and God Bless you,

Says

  
Hoover

November 27, 1953

100-339626 ✓

Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe  
12812 Sunset Boulevard  
West Los Angeles 49, California

Dear Ella: ...

Thank you very much for your letter of  
November 18.

I sincerely appreciate your kind comments  
concerning my testimony before the Jenner Committee,  
and I want you to know I am very grateful for your  
thoughtfulness in writing.

Chas Tolson appreciates your kind regards.

Sincerely yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Bufile 100-339626 reflects Ella Logan's married  
name as above, and prior correspondence with her has  
been on a cordial but not intimate basis.

it is felt outgoing  
communication should be most circumspect. Mrs. Finklehoffe  
(Ella Logan) is a well known actress and singer.

TEB:mnf

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Gearty \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

MAILED 6  
NOV 27 1953  
COMM-FBI

MAILED 6  
NOV 27 1953  
COMM-FBI

NOV 27 1953

ORIGINAL COPY FILED

DO-5.

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Nov. 18th

12812 Sunset Blvd.  
W. L. A. 49, Calif.

Dear Mister John

I must write you this fan letter. I saw you on TV last night, and though this whole thing is pretty frightening now that it has come out in the open, I must tell you that you were just great. Your speaking voice is so good and you handled the situation with great dignity, and I must add that you looked great. I was so proud of you. You would have thought I was your Mother.

Keep well, God Bless you, and my fondest regards to Mister Tolson and yourself.

Says

EMa Logan

HB 10122

COPY:eff

11/27/53  
ack  
TE

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Gandy \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Jones \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Mr. Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Holmes \_\_\_\_\_  
Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

736

4124

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nichols

DATE: November 21, 1955

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: ELLA LOGAN, aka MRS. FRED FRANKLIN FINKLEHOFF

Tolson ✓  
Boardman ✓  
Nichols ✓  
Belmont ✓  
Harbo ✓  
Mohr ✓  
Parsons ✓  
Rosen ✓  
Tamm ✓  
Sizoo ✓  
Winterrowd ✓  
Tele. Room ✓  
Holloman ✓  
Gandy ✓

Ella Logan by undated letter to the Director received 11-18-55 stated she would be in Washington next week and would like to see the Director about a most important matter. She indicated she had just returned from Greenland and went up there with Drew Pearson. Director by letter of 11-21-55 advised Logan that he would be happy to meet with her if he was in at the time of her visit. There is set forth salient information from Bufiles re Logan.

Bureau Library contains no background information re Logan; however, Facts on File, 11-25-54, reflects singer Ella Logan, 41, was divorced from show producer-writer Fred Finklehoffe, 44, on November 23, in Santa Monica, California.

The name Ella Logan was listed as a sponsor of The American Committee for Yugoslav Relief in a November 1, 1945, letter of this Committee. The American Committee for Yugoslav Relief has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450. (100-370691-20)

Special Agents of our Los Angeles Office accompanied Logan on an airplane between Los Angeles and Kansas City and they had made available to them by a confidential source.

cc - Mr. Holloman  
cc - Mr. Nichols  
cc - Tour Room

ELJ:jh  
(6)

RECORDED - 72

INDEXED - 72

EX-126

100-339626-37  
10 NOV 29 1955

CRIM. 339626-37



November 21, 1955

FOIA b 7 - D

the communication. It was definitely ascertained she intended violating the Censorship Act by taking communications out of the country in her possession.

[REDACTED]

She was interviewed by the Philadelphia Office on 1-12-50 and denied she was an CP sympathizer. She advised she had made a \$50 contribution to the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade (VALB) following the Spanish Civil War and she had once contributed to the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee (JAFRC) for the specific purpose of helping children out of Fascist countries and was not aware of its CP support. She also advised that during the war, she had visited the USSR Consulate, New York City, to obtain permission to entertain Red Army soldiers in return for entertainment furnished by Red Army entertainers in Italy. The Director noted, "I fear she has brought upon herself any pro-Communist stigma by her certainly indiscreet actions. H"

The VALB and the JAFRC both have been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Ella Logan telephoned the Director's office on 11-28-50 and was referred to SA Suttler of Crime Records Section. She stated that recently the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) contacted her regarding references made to her in the book "The Red Channels." She inquired whether she should give the ACLU the Director's letter to her dated 1-11-50. Director by letter to her of 12-2-50 suggested she use her own good judgement as to whether she should turn the letter over to the ACLU.

Pursuant to name check of G-2, Department of the Army, we furnished that agency a blind memo on Logan in March, 1951. The name check was in connection with a contemplated appearance by her on an Army recruiting program on television. (100-339626)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Director not see Ella Logan, but that she be referred to Mr. DeLoach in Mr. Nichols' office, and that she be invited to a special tour of the Bureau to be conducted by a Special Agent of Crime Records Section.

*Logan* *DeLoach*

EX-122

RECORDED - 33

November 21, 1955

100-339626-38

Miss Ella Logan  
Hotel Maurice  
145 West 58th Street  
New York 19, New York

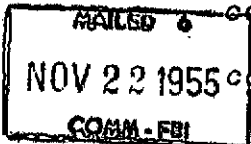
Dear Ella:

Thank you for your letter received on  
November 18, 1955.

Please feel free to drop by my office  
located at Room 5633, Department of Justice Building,  
Ninth Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, Northwest,  
when you are in Washington. While my schedule is  
extremely uncertain, if I am in at the time of your  
visit, I will be happy to meet with you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



cc - Mr. Holloman, with copy of incoming

cc - Mr. Nichols, with copy of incoming

NOTE: Ella Logan was the wife of Fred Finklehoffe and is  
a musical comedy singer. Previous correspondence has  
been sent and received on a cordial basis.

Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
Boardman \_\_\_\_\_  
Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
Belmont \_\_\_\_\_  
Harbo \_\_\_\_\_  
Mohr \_\_\_\_\_  
Parsons \_\_\_\_\_  
Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Sizoo \_\_\_\_\_  
Winterrowd \_\_\_\_\_  
Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_  
Holloman \_\_\_\_\_  
Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

outgoing communications have been most circumspect.  
Name per previous correspondence. A summary memorandum  
will follow. It is recommended that the Director not  
see Miss Logan.

HEH:jac

2486

DEC 6 1955

Hotel Meurice  
145 West 58th St.  
New York 19, N. Y.

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. Boardman	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Belmont	✓
Mr. Harbo	✓
Mr. Mohr	✓
Mr. Parsons	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tamm	✓
Mr. Sizoo	✓
Mr. Winterrowd	✓
Tele. Room	✓
Mr. Holloman	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

Dear Mister John,

I expect to be in Washington next week, and would like to see you about a most important matter, so if you would have your secretary drop me a line and let me know when I can see you, I would be most grateful.

Have just returned from Greenland. Went up there with Drew Pearson and did some shows at Goose Bay also. Worked to over eleven thousand of our men. It was very thrilling. Hope this finds you well and happy.

Fond Regards says  
/s/ Ella Logan

Ref. card chg  
11-28-55  
my  
11-28-55  
11-28-55  
11-28-55

one (for ref only)  
Ack 11-21-55  
KEN

EX-122  
3 autostats made  
11-21-55

RECORDED - 33

7 DEC 1, 1955

100-339626-38

Copy:bjb (1)

WB TOWES

card made in tele. room 11-18-55



Hotel Maurice  
145 WEST 58th STREET  
NEW YORK 19, N. Y.

Dear Mister Lohr,

I expect to be in Washington next week, and would like to see you about a most important matter, so if you would have your secretary drop me a line and let me know when I can see you, I would be most grateful.

Have just returned from Greenland, went up there with Drew Pearson and did some shows at Goose Bay also, worked to over eleven thousand of our men, it was very thrilling, hope this finds you well and

Happy (to see you)  
one day  
all the way  
4-24

Fond Regards - Lohr's E. J. Pogan

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson *Handwritten initials*

FROM : L. B. Nichols *Handwritten initials*

SUBJECT: ELLA LOGAN, aka MRS. FRED  
FRANKLIN FINKLEHOFF

DATE: 11/30/55

*Handwritten: R-8*

*Handwritten: 11/30/55*

*Handwritten: 6-1*  
*Handwritten: 4-1*

Tolson	_____
Boardman	_____
Nichols	_____
Belmont	_____
Harbo	_____
Mohr	_____
Parsons	_____
Rosen	_____
Tamm	_____
Sizoo	_____
Winterrowd	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Holloman	_____
Gandy	_____

By reference from the Director's Office, DeLoach talked with the captioned individual at 1:45 p.m., 11/29/55. A tour had originally been set up for Miss Logan, however, she indicated it would be necessary for her to catch a plane at 3:00 p.m., consequently, she desired merely to discuss matters which she termed to be "a personal nature."

Miss Logan advised that her name appeared in 1946 in the pamphlet "Red Channels." She was described as having appeared in three benefits for Communist Party (CP) front organizations. One appearance was at the old Belasky Theatre and two at the old Nix Theatre. She desired to make it a matter of record in FBI files that she made no such appearances. She states she was ill with pneumonia at the time of the appearances (She could not recall the exact dates.). Furthermore, prior to her illness she had been in constant rehearsal for the opening of "Finnan's Rainbow" in which she was the principal star. She stated she did not even know the location of the old Nix Theatre.

Miss Logan claimed that the information in "Red Channels" was undoubtedly given out by one Lee Sabenson, the producer and director of "Finnan's Rainbow." She stated that Sabenson in 1946 or 1947 appeared before the House Committee on Un-American Activities and was himself, a member of the CP. She added that Sabenson had a habit of making snap judgments regarding the appearances of various stars in Broadway productions which he managed. She is of the opinion that Sabenson was approached by several front organizations in connection with her appearances and that Sabenson indicated in the affirmative without even talking to her. She reiterated her denial of such appearances.

Miss Logan advised that in 1950 she was informed by her former husband, Fred Finklehoffe, that papers were carrying articles indicating that John J. Huber had testified before the Senate Judiciary Committee that Miss Logan was a CP sympathizer. She stated she appealed to Walter Winchell to write an article reflecting the fact that she would sue for slander anyone who called her a Communist. She added that she had advised a representative of our Philadelphia

Enclosure  
cc - Mr. Holloman  
Mr. Belmont

RECORDED-38  
INDEXED-38

CDD:fc  
(4)

98  
55 DEC 9 1955 EX-126

DEC 6 1955

Memorandum for Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols

11/30/55

RE: ELLA LOGAN, aka Mrs. FRED FRANKLIN FINKLEHOFF

Office in January, 1950, of all facts concerning her career and specifically concerning a \$50 contribution to the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade and a contribution (amount not remembered) to the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Refugee Committee (JAFRC). She added that she contributed the \$50 to the Abraham Lincoln Brigade because she was approached and asked for help in the name of cripple veterans of that brigade. She indicated she did not think of these veterans as members of the CP but that instead she contributed merely to help sick and wounded individuals. She claimed that her contribution to the JAFRC was for the specific purpose of assisting children in getting out of Fascist controlled countries. She claimed not to be aware of the CP support of the JAFRC.

*No log*  
Miss Logan stated she had never been a member of the CP, had never knowingly attended any CP front organization meetings; that she was a great believer in God and that she loved the American democracy. She claimed to know nothing regarding Communist doctrine. She admitted friendship with Paul Robeson in 1946, however, stated that Robeson had never tried to recruit her into the CP.

Miss Logan claimed she left the cast of "Finnan's Rainbow" in 1946 because Lee Sabenson, the director, was mistreating four Negroes who were also members of the cast. She mentioned that Paul Robeson had attempted to get her to rejoin the cast, however, she refused and engaged in an argument with Robeson referring to him as a "Cadillac Communist." She explained that both Robeson and Sabenson, although Communists, certainly did not present the impression that they were part of the masses. She stated they were both egotistical, both loved luxuries and both drove Cadillacs.

Miss Logan spoke of her extensive work overseas among servicemen. She states that the many benefits she has given before veterans should certainly demonstrate the love and esteem she has for the U. S.

Miss Logan then came to the point of her visit. She claimed to be "blacklisted" from the radio and television networks at the present time. She thinks the reason for her being blacklisted is the references concerning her which appear in "Red Channels." She desires very much to join Ed Sullivan on the "Toast of the Town" program on Sunday nights. The Ford Motor Company will not accept her for this program. She wants the Director to go to an official of the Ford Motor Company, Henry Ford, II, if at all possible, and indicate that the FBI has no record of any subversive information concerning her and that she,

Memorandum for Mr. Tolson from L. B. Nichols 11/30/55  
RE: ELLA LOGAN, aka Mrs. FRED FRANKLIN FINKLEHOFF

therefore, should be given an opportunity to appear on the program in question.

DeLoach told Miss Logan that the Director would, of course, be advised of her visit and that we appreciated her frankness in coming in and revealing information concerning her activities. It was indicated, however, that the Director had established the policy long ago that the FBI did not evaluate or establish clearances for any individual, group, or organization and that very frankly it would be violating the firm policies of the organization if her request were honored. She was told that her information would be placed in FBI files and that in the event requests were received in the future from agencies or individuals authorized to receive information from FBI files we would, of course, include such information as she had furnished. Miss Logan was not disappointed with this answer. She stated that she was in sympathy with the mentioned policies; that very frankly it was similar to the administrative policies of Buckingham Palace in England where she had been requested to appear before the Crowned heads of England. She indicated that she had been given a similar answer when she requested permission for certain activities in England from Buckingham Palace. She concluded by stating that in the event the Director ever could be of any assistance to her in this regard she would appreciate being notified. She was advised we would be glad to do this.

There is attached a summary memorandum concerning Miss Logan dated 11/21/55. In view of her continued denial of membership or sponsorship of front organizations, no specific questions concerning the organizations were asked of her during the conversation. The occasion was presented to specifically ask her if she had ever been recruited into the CP or if attempts had been made to recruit her into the the Party. She answered both questions in the negative.

ACTION:

Miss Logan thoroughly understands our policies regarding recommendations as she requested. The entire conversation was cordial and it is felt that although her request for assistance was denied at the same time she is pleased to know that the information she has given is on record in our files. It is not felt a communication to Miss Logan under the Director's signature is necessary.

✓

✓

Wm  
a



DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

RECEIVED FROM  
APR 26 1961  
STATE DEPT. OF

April 14, 1961

Mrs. Fred Franklin Finklehoffe

Mrs. Fred F. Finklehoffe

FBI Liaison:

For Information Only

Re:

Fred Franklin Finklehoffe  
Place: Springfield, Mass.  
Born: February 16, 1910

Residence:

Station House Farm,  
Springtown, Pennsylvania

Bureau File Number:

Unknown

Passport Number:

2450509 issued October 19,  
1960 at New York

Attorney:

None

Travel Plans:

Port of Departure:

New York

Date of Departure:

October 30, 1960

Means of Transportation:

Air - PAA

Proposed Length of Stay:

Approximately four weeks

Countries to be Visited:

REC-66 100-339631-40  
England, France, Italy, NOT RECORDED  
and Spain

Purpose of Trip:

EX-130 25 APR 27 1961  
Pleasure and business

AGENCY CC-Phil.  
REQ. REC'D  
DATE FORW. APR 27 1961  
HOW FORW. 0-3  
BY VB

56 MAY 3 1961

PASSPORT OFFICE  
PT/L - Robert D. Johnson



Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Records Branch

, 19\_\_

☐ Name Searching Unit - Room 6527  
☐ Service Unit - Room 6524  
☐ Forward to File Review  
☒ Attention Van Fleet  
☐ Return to Dakar 1254  
 Supervisor Room Ext.

## Type of References Requested:

☐ Regular Request (Analytical Search)  
☐ All References (Subversive & Nonsubversive)  
☒ Subversive References Only  
☐ Nonsubversive References Only  
☐ Main \_\_\_\_\_ References Only

## Type of Search Requested:

☐ Restricted to Locality of \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Exact Name Only (On the Nose)-  
☐ Buildup ☐ Variations

Subject Fred Franklin Finkle  
 Birthdate & Place \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_

Localities \_\_\_\_\_

R# \_\_\_\_\_ Date 4-26 Searcher Initials BDS

Prod. \_\_\_\_\_

	FILE NUMBER	SERIAL
	<u>100-5742-16029</u>	
ND	<u>100-339626-16</u>	
	<u>Fred Franklin Finkle</u>	
ND	<u>100-339626</u>	<u>Wife</u>
	<u>Fred F.</u>	
ND	<u>100-339626-22, 26</u>	
	<u>65-58367-114, 135</u>	
	<u>39-915-30696, 7</u>	
	<u>Fred</u>	
ND	<u>100-339626-39</u>	
	<u>65-58367-349, 23</u>	
	<u>62-65764-46</u>	
	<u>94-8-131-215</u>	
	<u>100-203581-4584, 046</u>	
	<u>105-67845-171, 02</u>	
	<u>L. F. F.</u>	
	<u>61-777-26-46</u>	
	<u>100-197964-2</u>	

other BDS & Vars not searched